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## Newry board approves referendum vote on withdrawal process

By ALISON ALOISIO

Newry selectmen voted unanimously Tuesday to hold a referendum ballot vote in June on whether to stop the current school withdrawal process.

But if the SAD 44 School Board does not hold to its pledge to start a separate process to potentially change the local school funding formula to be more favorable to Newry, the selectboard has the option to not sign the warrant for the referendum, they said.

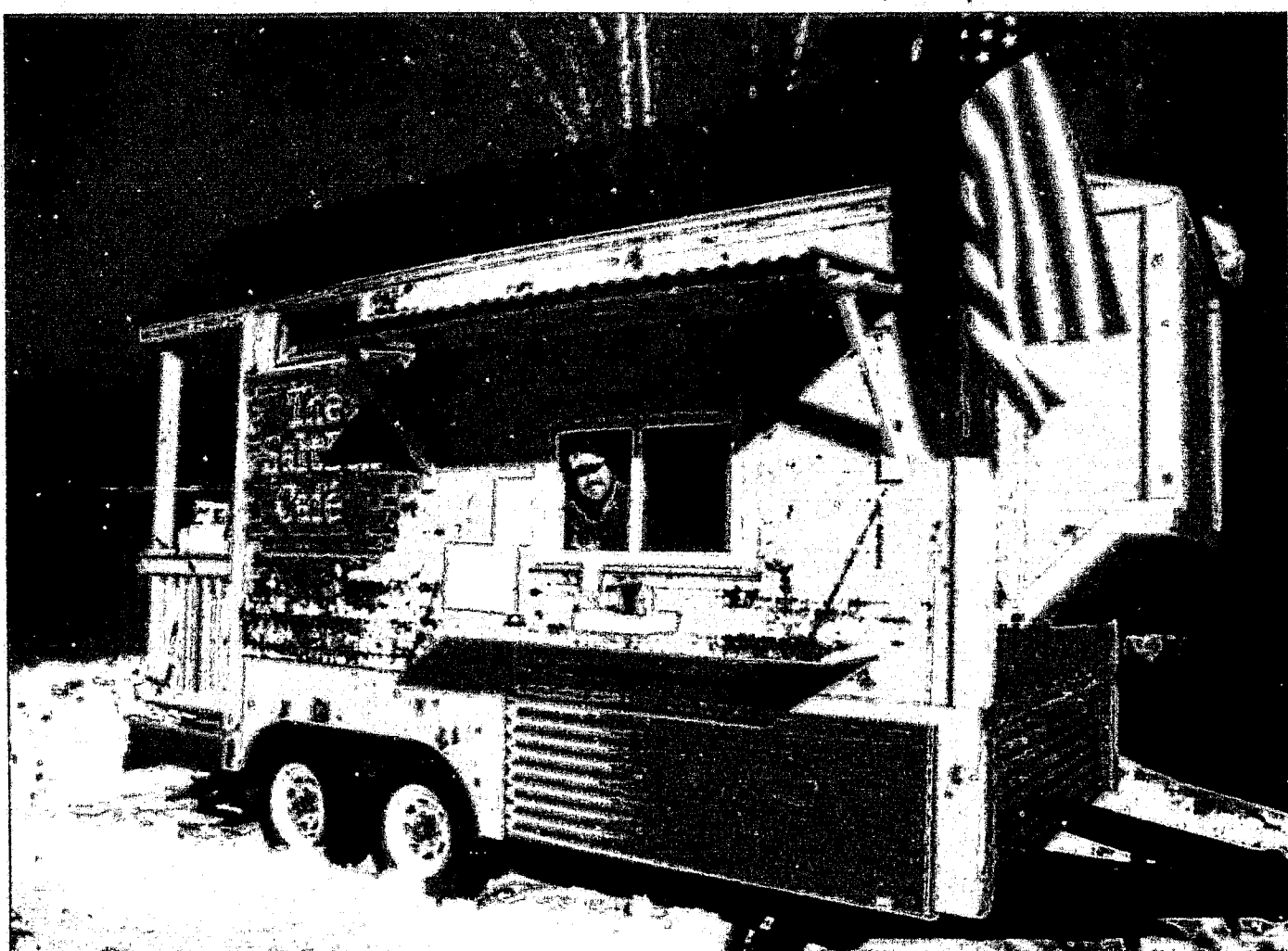
The warrant must be signed at least 45 days before the vote, which they set for primary day in June (the 14th).

Last week the School Board voted to "initiate the statutory cost shar-

ing formula amendment process, once the Newry selectmen initiate a warrant article to allow the Newry voters to consider if they wish to terminate the withdrawal process."

The idea to look at the formula option was prompted by the failure so far of an effort by the Newry Withdrawal Committee to negotiate a withdrawal agreement for town residents to vote on. SAD 44 negotiators have stood firm on their financial position, which would keep Newry essentially paying to the district the same as it is now because, the negotiators said, it is the fairest solution for all.

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Matthew Glatz operates The SaltBox Cafe, open Thursday through Monday, on the Sunday River Road.

(A. Wight Chapman)

## Newry panel talks binding arbitration, state law change

By ALISON ALOISIO

Newry Withdrawal Committee Educational consultant Mark Eastman, who said he has not seen this sort of stalemate (see related story above) in his experience as a withdrawal consultant, said at Monday's NWC meeting he had recently spoken with former state Education Commissioner Jim Rier about the situation.

Eastman said he considers Rier "the most knowledgeable person about withdrawal who has ever served in the department."

Eastman said Rier told him the Newry stalemate was not the first of its kind in Maine, but the others were only resolved through a town threatening to go to court over it. Rier said that in other situations, according to Eastman, "once you got to that point of near litigation, people got together and had agreements completed."

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## "Story Time" inspires readers across generations

By AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

Ask anyone who grew up in Bethel what they remember about visiting the public library, and Story Time comes quickly to mind.

For at least 60 years, children have been coming to the Bethel Library on a regular basis to listen to stories and take out books to read, or have read to them, at home.

"The role of Story Time is to inspire lifelong reading habits and a love of books and literature," said Nancy Brown, president of the Bethel Library Association board of trustees.

"We want children to love books and coming to the library. Our programs introduce young children to books, rhymes, music,

and other fun activities."

Many former patrons of Story Time shared their memories recently on the Facebook page "I Grew Up in Bethel, Maine" and by email.

"The first time I ever tied my shoes by myself was during story time, sometime in 1988," wrote Paige Brown, who lived near the library on Broad Street and was a frequent visitor.

Roger Dock remembered weekly visits to the library with his fourth grade class from Crescent Park School in 1958. He described walking two abreast—the "buddy system"—as the students were shepherded down Mason Street by their teacher.

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## SaltBox Cafe: Tiny house food truck

By AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

"I wanted to find a way to stay in Maine," said food truck proprietor Matthew Glatz of his decision to try self-employment.

"All of my friends left the state after high school or college."

Glatz recently opened The SaltBox Cafe in the parking lot of The Great American Ski Renting Company on the Sunday River Road.

Thursday through Monday, he serves up breakfast sandwiches and lunches to go from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (until 4 p.m. on Sundays).

A lifelong Sunday River skier, Glatz lives in Portland for part of the week, but has found a way to combine the best of a skibum lifestyle with gainful employment.

After opening early and

cooking all morning, when he closes The SaltBox Cafe in the early afternoon, he is free to head for the mountain to make a few runs.

**Tough job market**

Glatz grew up in China, Maine. Following high school, he attended Southern Maine Community College and graduated with a two-year degree in culinary arts.

After working for a while as a line cook, putting in long hours that included nights, weekends, and holidays, he realized that commercial cooking in a restaurant was not for him.

So he went in a different direction entirely.

"My dad owned a residential heating oil business in China," Glatz said. "When I turned 21, I obtained my

commercial truck driving license and went to work for him."

Driving a truck meant better pay, benefits, and regular hours. After the 2008 recession prompted the closing of his father's oil business, he got a job hauling chemicals for Brown Ship Services in Portland.

An interest in environmental science led him to complete a B.A. in environmental policy and planning from the University of Southern Maine while driving a truck full-time for the ship chandlery.

After finishing his degree, he spent over a year applying for jobs, even expanding his job search as far as Alaska.

"Maine is a great, diverse place to live and explore,

but it doesn't offer a good job market for young people," he said.

Injuries he suffered in a 2014 accident, when his motorcycle was hit by a "distracted" driver, made the physical demands of his trucking job with the ship chandlery difficult.

He continued to search for work in his field, but by the time another year had passed, he said, "I had had it with sending out applications and never hearing back."

He decided to give self-employment a try.

His background in culinary arts, a longtime interest in the tiny house concept, and a conversation with a friend, Nick Rife, of Portland, inspired The SaltBox Cafe.

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## School Board: Playground, trip, retreat, personnel changes, more

By AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

In addition to the business items reported in last week's Bethel Citizen, the following articles were part of the business conducted at the Jan. 25 SAD 44 School Board meeting.

**Playground update**

The deteriorating playground structures at Crescent Park School were removed during the Christmas vacation. Acting on the recommendation of the Facilities Committee, the School Board voted unanimously to add a separate article to the district public budget meeting, asking voters to approve the transfer of funds from undesignated fund balances to

the Capital Improvement Reserve Fund, and the expenditure of those funds toward replacing playground structures at CPS and Woodstock Elementary School.

The amount of the transfer is yet to be determined, but the Facilities Committee has recommended an amount not to exceed \$150,000. Murphy said the actual amount may be less. The expenditure is expected to fund base structures, with groups from both schools intending to fundraise to add more elements to the playgrounds.

**Supt.'s report**  
Superintendent David Murphy told the School

Board he expects to receive the estimate of state aid to the district and the expected local share of costs from the Maine Dept. of Education by mid-February.

Murphy said he met with former Maine Commissioner of Education Duke Albanese to discuss a School Board retreat, and that board members will be surveyed within the next week about scheduling a time and what topics they would like to see covered at the retreat.

**Freshman D.C. trip rescheduled**

Due to the massive snowstorm that hit the Washington, D.C. area just prior to the scheduled multi-

day field trip by the Telstar Freshman Academy, Murphy told directors that a decision was made the previous Friday to delay the trip. It will be rescheduled for March.

**Personnel changes**

Murphy informed the School Board of the resignation of Darcy Chase, who was hired at the beginning of the current school year as a math teacher at Telstar Middle School. A long-term substitute is in place until the February vacation, by which time the administration hopes to hire a replacement.

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## Letters

### THANKS TO GOOD SAMARITANS

To the Editor:

Last Wednesday, Jan. 27, I experienced one of those life-changing events that make one realize how very fortunate one is.

I was completing my regular six mile run along Route 2 at around 6 a.m. and was crossing the intersection at Bear River Rd. when I was "nicked" by an eighteen-wheeler turning onto Bear River Rd. from Route 2.

I was so lucky that only my right forefoot was run over, but I was still in distress and without phone or identification. Out of the darkness a wonderful Good Samaritan came running to help me up, call 911, and allow me to sit in her car while I waited for the ambulance. This kind woman completely rearranged her day to help me. We exchanged names, but in my state of shock I forgot it.

I was fully expecting a lecture for running in the dark (which unfortunately my work schedule makes necessary), but instead got only kindness and concern. Other drivers who witnessed the accident also stopped to make sure I was okay.

Thank you all so much. I am truly blessed to live in such a wonderful community with such phenomenal neighbors.

Susan Owens  
Hanover

### ECONOMICS DETERMINE ...

To the Editor:

My Jan. 14, 2016 defense in the Bethel Citizen of the protections provided by our Comprehensive Plan - and by extension our system of ordinances and Self Rule, closed with: "The consequences of no protection are what ruin the future prospects of our communities; and we must pause and ask ourselves why anyone would even think of eliminating the excellent work already done to protect our future." I'll elucidate today by pointing out that our beloved town of Bethel, Flint Mich., the Challenger disaster, Massey Energy and TPP have a lot in common; all are either subject to, perpetrators of, or victims of the terrible consequences of corporate overreach.

It's not overstating to say that our little town is every bit as exposed as any entity of any size on Earth, if we forsake our protections and their timely evolution to meet future needs. Whether it's the "corporatization" of Flint, Mich. governance, the "business decision" to launch Challenger, the deaths caused by wanton avoidance of coal mine safety rules, or the secret global trade agreements that threaten the sovereignty of nations and citizens alike - all are glaring examples of allowing "economics to determine" outcomes as has been suggested right here in Bethel.

We are empowered by our Constitution to conduct the affairs of governance as "an informed electorate." If we fail to remain alert, informed, and engaged, we will have forsaken not only our own future, but the future of generations to come.

Seabury Lyon  
Bethel

### THANKS FOR YOUR CARING

To the Editor:

Most of us have heard the phrase "it takes a village to raise a child," and we've probably heard it too many times. Well, a similar thought can be said on the other end of the age spectrum.

As an aging citizen, I recently dealt with a month-long illness. Were it not for the caring, support, and help of people in and near my community, life would have been much more difficult. It was friends and neighbors who kept my home, hearth, and animals well cared for while I was receiving the care I needed at MMC.

I wish I could thank everyone who helped personally but I'd forget someone. There are a couple folks who have done so much that I have to mention them. My neighbors, Norman and Peter, helped in ways that went far beyond anything I could have imagined. Erin, who owns Tucker's Doghouse Boarding & Daycare, took in my dog Monk and cared for him the better part of a month.

It appears that it takes a community to pitch in and help an ailing aging person. Thank you everyone. I am now recovering and hope to be back hiking and skiing before the winter is over.

Betsy Foster  
Greenwood

### NHS VALENTINE SALE

To the Editor:

Telstar's National Honor Society is hosting its third Annual Valentine's Cake and Cookie Sale. Valentine cookies will be sold \$2 for three OR \$6 for a dozen. Cakes are being sold at a low price of \$8 with an optional delivery fee of \$5. The cakes are being made in heart shaped tins with white frosting and can be customized with a message. If you choose to not get your order delivered to you, cakes and cookies will be ready for pickup in the Telstar High School office on Friday, Feb. 12, 2016. Funds will go to End Hunger NE, which is the Maine National Honor Society's service project this year. We will be attending the 2016 MNHS Banquet and State Convention this March to present our donation. Funds will also be going to the Good Shepherd Food Bank, and to costs for the convention.

Orders can be made by visiting the Telstar High School office, or by asking any NHS members. There is also a copy of the order form on the "Team Bethel" Facebook page, which you can print, fill out, and deliver to the High School office by our following deadline date.

The deadline to make orders is Monday, Feb. 8, 2016. If your order is not paid by this date, it will not be made. Checks can be made out to "Telstar NHS."

Thank you in advance for your support! We hope to hear from you soon!

Lisa Gammon  
NHS Vice President

### UPCOMING EVENTS IN BETHEL

To the Editor:

What a crazy winter it has been, but we have our best months to get out and play in the snow ahead of us! We hope you have been getting out to enjoy the various events being offered each weekend at our winter venues and businesses! For a complete list, check out [www.bethelmaine.com](http://www.bethelmaine.com)

We are in the process of finalizing the February Vacation Week Scavenger Hunt! Keep an eye out in next week's edition of the Bethel Citizen for details! This will be a great family friendly activity!

People have been asking about upcoming future events - since this time last year we were preparing for hosting the Annual Moose Lottery and Festival. The Commissioner of the Maine Dept. of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife has been moving this festival around to various regions and communities the past few years. This year's Moose Lottery is being held in Kittery at Kittery Trading Post. We do hope to get the festival and lottery back to Bethel in the future!

The Chamber has been asked by the Mahoosuc Arts Council to help keep the Bethel Art Fair going. With a very small board and no paid staff, their ability to handle the administrative and organizational tasks has been challenged. The good news is that the Chamber staff has the capacity to help! A new website is being created: [www.bethelartfair.com](http://www.bethelartfair.com) where all vendor applications, the schedule, and other important information will be available. The goal is to do whatever we can to grow this event into a wonderful kick-off to the summer season, celebrate the arts and creative spirit that abounds in and around the Bethel area, and also help the Mahoosuc Arts Council with their mission to support the advancement of the arts and humanities in the adult communities and schools systems of the Greater Bethel Area.

Finally, the MollyOckett Day Planning Task Force met last week and chose this year's theme - "Celebrating Community." A couple changes we also made are that the parade will be moved back to 11 a.m. and that we do not plan to close Main Street this year. Instead, we encourage all Main Street and Village businesses who are interested in having events and sidewalk sales to let us know what their plans are, and we will add them to the schedule for the day. We will be updating the event website, [www.mollyockettday.com](http://www.mollyockettday.com) in the coming weeks where vendor applications will be available.

The Chamber board members and staff welcome your ideas! If you have a suggestion that has the potential to add value to our events, and you have the energy and initiative to help, please let us know!

Robin Zinchuk, Executive Director

### ART GATHERING THANKS

To the Editor:

On behalf of the First Universalist Church (Unitarian Universalist) of Norway and AmeriCorps VISTA at Healthy Oxford Hills, we are happy to report that our first annual Lunch and Art Gathering honoring Martin Luther King, Jr. was a great success. We had a full house on Martin Luther King Jr. Day to enjoy the free lunch, the live music, and the art projects. We thank all who attended and all who helped make the Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration take place.

The four beautiful paintings created by the community that gathered will be donated to local retirement homes.

We offer our enthusiastic appreciation and thanks to Singepole Mountain Band and to the Younger Bloods for performing wonderful music. We thank all of the church members and Food Corps members who helped prepare and serve the delicious meal and we are grateful for the contributions of all who shared their thoughts to honor Martin Luther King, Jr.

We also thank Taylor Owens and Sarah Carter for providing an information table with materials explaining their work in public health. Sarah is a Community Nutrition Educator with Maine SNAP-ED and Taylor works for substance abuse prevention.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the generous local businesses and food pantries who donated food and supplies. These groups include: Ari's Pizza and Subs, Panda Cafe, Jennicakes Bake Shop, Fare Share Co-op, Western Maine Supply, The Progress Center, Bethel Food Pantry, and Suzanne Grover who works with food pantries in the Norway area.

Rev. Fayre Stephenson,  
First Universalist Church of Norway (Unitarian Universalist)  
Maisey Griffin, AmeriCorps VISTA at Healthy Oxford Hills

### From the Bethel Town Manager's Office

By Christine M. Landes

As always, it is my pleasure to provide this bi-weekly column for the citizens of Bethel.

On Monday, January 25th the Bethel Board of Selectmen held a Public Hearing in regards to the proposed sewer rate structure. After the public had a chance to comment, the board decided not to implement the fee system as presented. They have asked the current fees committee members to join up with some new volunteers to have an alternate proposal by the April 11th meeting.

Those properties that had the additional dwelling unit fee suspended last year, should now be aware that the suspension came off December 31st. This means for the first billing quarter of 2016, you will be receiving bills for those units once again. (Mailed in April.)

The budget process has started for FY17. Each department head has been given their current budget sheets to predict what their department needs are for the upcoming year. Once all the forms have been submitted, I will review the requests and if needed, speak with each department about the numbers. I always try to substantiate the request to make sure the Budget Committee is fully aware of why the dollar amount requested is what it is.

The Route 2 Bridge resurfacing project is moving forward. From my understanding, a construction company has been chosen for the contract. When this project commences, (date not yet available) I would caution all of you using that bridge to expect delays. One side at a time will be resurfaced using an alternating light to let traffic flow at two minute intervals. This will mean some possible congestion and safety issues near the Parkway intersection. I will update as more information becomes available.

The Ordinance Review Committee is back at looking at ordinances again. They have met with our CEO, Jeff Warden, to obtain a better understanding of what changes, omissions, and additions to current code would be beneficial to our town. I encourage each of you, especially business owners, to contact Jeff to ask questions about what is allowed in code. He is more than willing to provide some suggestions and recommendations to make sure the code is followed.

I am still awaiting a definite time to have a guest speaker attend an informational meeting regarding Strategic v. Comprehensive Plans. As soon as I have a confirmed date, I will place it on the website and if time allows, publish it in this article.

Please remember if there is anything I, or the employees of the town, can do for you please do not hesitate to contact us. We are here for you.

## Our Back Pages

By Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: Christine Trefethen, Saranne Taylor, and Mac Davis were ready to head north to compete in the annual Canadian Ski Marathon.

Tonya Hebert represented Telstar at the District II Vocal Music Festival at Windham.

Deaths: Barbara Pryor, Michael R. Cooper, Grace Brooks Evans, Walter E. Sylvester, Edith C. Mundt, William "Bill" Moore.

20 years ago: Charles Gill, Jr. who posed as a licensed psychologist at the Bethel Area Health Center was sentenced to 3 years, 4 months in prison.

The building housing the Big Apple store (formerly Charlie's Chevron station) on Railroad Street was being torn down to make room for new gas pumps.

Births: Alexandra Laurel Risko, Shelby Lee Roberts.

Deaths: Norman E. Ford, Martha B. Von Zinti, Fred A. Clough Jr., Mark Pool Smith.

30 years ago: Elderhostlers were enjoying cross-country skiing at Sunday River Inn.

Students from Gould Academy and 10 other Maine schools competed in the first Maine Academic Decathlon in Portland.

Deaths: Joseph "Smokey" Baker, Jr., Mrs. Addelynn L. Mann.

40 years ago: Randy L. Bennett presented a slide lecture "Aspects of White Mountain History" at the Bethel Historical Society's February meeting.

Mrs. Jimmy Carter, wife of the Democratic Presidential hopeful, was guest of honor at a coffee at the home of Mrs. Jean McGuire.

Birth: Amanda Lea Ingalls.

Death: Mrs. Lena B. Westleigh.

50 years ago: The Bethel Fire Department held a potluck supper in their new kitchen at the Fire House. About 50 firemen and auxiliary members attended.

Ranald Stevens and Carroll Valentine attended the annual meeting of the Pine Tree Council of Boy Scouts of America in Lewiston.

Births: Deborah Chadbourne, Karin Lynette Judkins.

Death: Guy Edward Rice.

60 years ago: A variety show at the William Bingham Gymnasium climaxed the polio drive in the Bethel area. Dave Thompson was master of ceremonies.

A public baked bean supper was held at the Locke Mills town hall to benefit the Church Choir.

Birth: Tina Marie Limatta.

70 years ago: Roscoe Swain purchased the John Anderson farm in Skillington.

The marquee at the Bethel Theatre collapsed from the weight of snow.

Deaths: Vernon Staples, Mrs. Mary L. Lovejoy, William Howe, Fred Cole.

80 years ago: The boiler room and birch mill of the North Waterford spool plant was destroyed by fire. Loss was estimated at \$10,000.

The Lions Club met at Maple Inn. Mr. Pronto of Berlin gave an interesting talk on the Philippine Islands.

Deaths: William J. Upson, Eugene Mason Cushing, Joseph Lary, Mrs. Louise J. Briggs, Charles H. Brown.

90 years ago: The local Boy Scout troop had two basketball squads. Games were played in the Bingham Gymnasium. Rev. C.B. Oliver was scoutmaster.

Deaths: Frank B. Heath, Mrs. Webster Towne, Elbridge M. Fifeild.

110 years ago: Mr. J.A. Thurston purchased the John F. Dearborn spool mill property at Bryant Pond.

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# SaltBox

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Rofe, who had also tired of the tough local job market, had recently started his own contracting business, NQR Creative Designs and Home Solutions. "This was his first tiny house project," Glatz said. "He was pretty excited."

Recycled, reclaimed, repurposed

Working together, he and Rofe designed a fully equipped commercial kitchen on wheels. With the help of several other friends, and access to construction space in a warehouse belonging to Glatz's former boss, they were able to build it from the ground up in just seven and a half weeks.

Building on a trailer base that Glatz bought new, they used mainly recycled construction materials and lumber seconds purchased from Home Depot for 70 percent off. The SaltBox Cafe sign and outside counter were built of reclaimed flooring from a friend's barn in Bridgton.

Glatz searched for good deals on commercial cook-

ing equipment and was able to locate almost everything he needed secondhand, including a refrigeration unit from the technical school at Oxford Hills.

"I found the gas stove on Craigslist," he said, indicating the gleaming commercial range with two large burners and generous griddle space.

"It was a great deal, but it took me 22 hours of work to get it cleaned up."

The ventilated stove hood came from a Chinese restaurant in Portland. It was the wrong size for the space, but Glatz was able to modify it with a metal grinder, then had a cap welded on to make it the right height.

The cost, including welding and the installation of a fire-suppression system, was \$700. If he had had to purchase the same equipment new, he said, it would have set him back about \$6,000.

Quality and value

The decision to bring The SaltBox Cafe to the

Sunday River Road for its inaugural season came about when Glatz recognized that it would be difficult to compete with sit-down restaurants in Portland in the wintertime.

"I decided to bring it up here to Bethel, because people who live up here, and people on their way to ski, are already ready for the cold," he said.

With a focus on quality and value, Glatz has deliberately kept his prices lower than those on the mountain.

He offers several gourmet breakfast sandwiches and burritos, all under \$8.00 and all prepared to order.

His "Brown Bag Ski Lunch" features a hearty sandwich—turkey and cheddar, ham and Swiss, a BLT, or a loaded veggie and hummus vegetarian option—on a choice of bread, accompanied by a granola bar, chips, and a bottled water, all packed into a brown paper lunch bag, for \$10.00.

Specials change week-

ly, and sandwiches are served with gourmet condiments. Disappointed with the commercial mayonnaise and sauces available, Glatz decided to create most of his own from scratch, from the tangy Memphis barbecue sauce on his pulled pork breakfast burritos and sandwiches to a house Dijon mayonnaise he whisks up on-site from fresh ingredients.

When ski season ends, he plans to relocate The SaltBox Cafe to Portland. The food truck is fully self-contained, with an RV pump and water tanks, a generator, and the gas range, so he can move it wherever he decides to go.

Follow The SaltBox Cafe on Facebook for updates and specials. For the remainder of the ski season, the cafe is open Thursday through Monday at 101 Sunday River Road.

If you get there early enough, Glatz said, there's a special perk—the first customer of the day always gets free coffee.



Matthew Glatz inside his SaltBox Cafe. A. Wight Chapman

# Story Time

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He wrote that he had to be on his best behavior when visiting the library, because one of the librarians, Elsie Davis, was his great-aunt, and a cousin, Ginny Keniston, who later served as head librarian, was often there, too.

"If I was rowdy or out of

line, my mother knew instantly. First I would hear it from my aunt, then my teacher, and then my parents," Dock wrote, adding, however, that because he loved his soft-spoken aunt dearly, "I curbed my usual behavior."

"The best part of going was to get out of class, but I managed to learn something in spite of myself," he said.

Frances Thurston-Doucette remembered attending Story Time herself in the 1950s and '60s, and bringing her daughter

there in the 1980s.

She also recalled taking out five books on the first day she had her new library card.

"I would have taken more, but Mrs. Davis said five was the limit," she wrote. "I was so disappointed, until she smiled and told me to come back when I could tell her the stories in the five books. I was back in three days."

A social center

Over the years, Story Time and other children's programs made the library a social hub for the younger set, as well as their parents.

"I remember that Story Hour was the first and best way to meet other kids and mothers when we came to town," commented Nancy Jones Hanson, who lived in Bethel with her family in the 1980s and 1990s.

Current librarian Michelle Conroy has held the position for more than 20 years.

"When I first started, we had so many kids we had to divide them into two groups" for Story Time, she said.

Lisa Fox recalled leading Story Time at the library as a volunteer. "What fun!" she wrote. "And what a great way for young stay-at-home moms (and dads) to meet each other and visit while their little ones are listening to stories and doing crafts."

In addition to Story Time, the library has host-

ed children's events such as American Girl Tea Parties and Teddy Bear Picnics, and runs a yearly summer reading program to encourage children to keep reading during their school vacation.

"Marvin Ouwinga and I had a brief spell of showing Friday night movies at the library for grade school kids," wrote Cathy Newell, who has served as a member of the Bethel Library Association board since the mid-1970s.

Now living in Kennebunk, Paige Brown recalled how she and her older sister, Phoebe, used to spend hours paging through old newspapers in the library's upstairs room, looking for their birth announcements.

"I liked to look up the old fires and obits and stuff," added Phoebe. "Yes, we went there a lot!"

Longtime library volunteer Edna York, who passed away in 2014 at the age of 104, was remembered by many as a continuous presence at the library well into her 90s, and, especially, as the institution's voice on the phone when a book was overdue.

Recalling the stacks of discarded books and an old record player that were stored upstairs, Phoebe remembered, "Edna only had to tell us to quiet down a few times."

Tradition continues

In an August 2015 Face-

book post, Ed Sloan wrote that he had great memories of visiting the library for Story Time and added, "I hope they still do that in this age of the Internet and Kindle books."

Yes, Conroy assured him, the Bethel Library continues to hold Story Time at 10 a.m. on the first and third Thursdays of the month, and welcomes all preschool children to attend.

A parent or caregiver must accompany the child, and the library is always looking for volunteers who would like to read or sing with the children during Story Time.

With advances in technology, books may not always be the main reason many 21st-century patrons visit the library, but Story Time continues to be an important way to introduce young children to the love of reading.

"The Bethel Library is pretty high-tech these days," wrote Newell on Facebook, with "public access computers, online catalog, access to e-books through Maine State Library."

But, she added, "it is still a friendly place with a good selection of books to check out!"

Story Time is held at 10 a.m. on the first and third Thursdays of the month. To volunteer or for more information, call Michelle Conroy at the library, 824-2580.



Above, elementary school students at the Bethel Library in 1958, with librarian Elsie Davis.

(Amy Davis)



Right, Librarian Michelle Conroy reads to 16-month-old Chase Brooks and his mom, Justine, at a recent Story Time at the Bethel Library.

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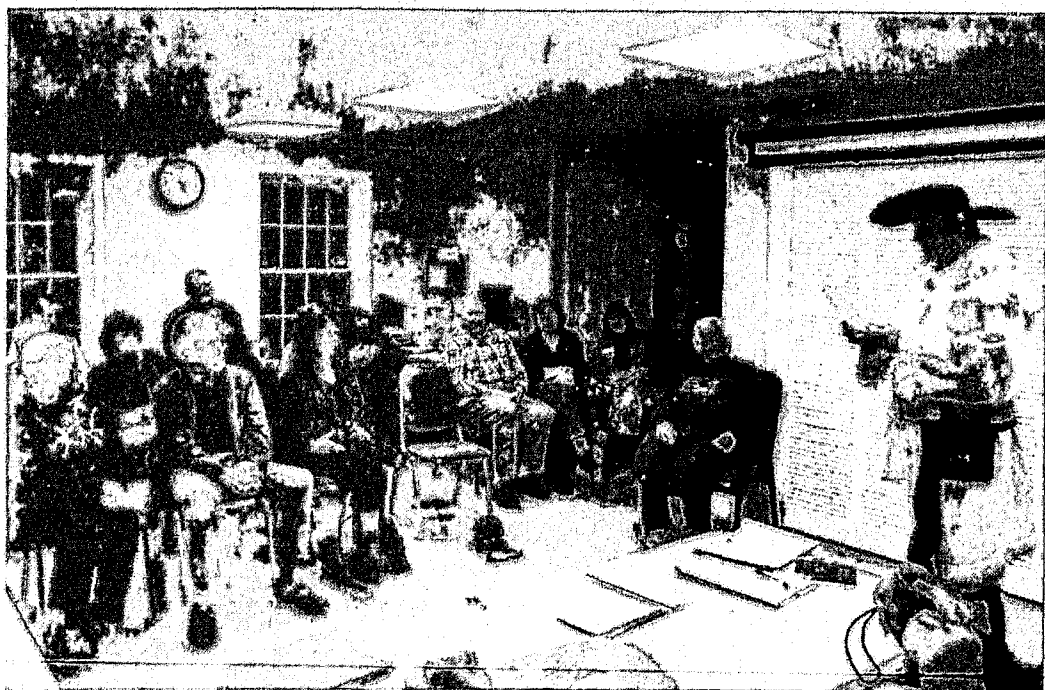
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**200TH KICKOFF:** At Tuesday's selectmen's meeting, Greenwood held a observance of the 200th anniversary of the Feb. 2, 1816 town incorporation. Here, Harry Orcutt (in period dress) reads from the original deed incorporating the town. State Rep. Fran Head also presented a framed document commemorating the bicentennial to the selectmen. Sally Smith made a cake for the occasion. A more extensive celebration of the Greenwood Bicentennial is planned for August.

A. Wright Chapman

## School

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Two longtime Telstar cafeteria staff members, Jennie Fillmore and Peggy Tripp, will retire at the end of the school year.

"They've both been with us for a long time, and we certainly appreciate the time and energy that they've put into the district," Murphy said. "They are both well-connected to our kids, so it will be a loss not just for the district, but also for the students."

Murphy announced the following coaching appointments.

Telstar High School: Sarah Southam and Wade Kavanaugh, Nordic ski coaches.

Woodstock Elementary School: Savannah Sessions, Nordic ski coach.

Crescent Park School: Megan Smith, basketball coach; Heidi Bullen and Kathy Conrad, Student Council advisors.

### Maine Schools for Excellence

The School Board heard a presentation from Scott Harrison and Jane Blais, the project director and professional development coordinator for the Maine Schools for Excellence program. MSFE oversees the five-year TIF (Teacher Incentive Fund) grant awarded to the district to enhance educator effectiveness and student learning.

The TIF grant process uses peer mentoring and a detailed evaluation process during which educators set goals and learning targets and learn to analyze and interpret student data.

"The goal is to make sure that every teacher has what they need to grow professionally," said Blais, adding that the single most important factor affecting student learning is the quality of the instruction they receive from their teachers.

As a result of their participation in the program, more than a dozen SAD 44 teachers are pursuing National Board Certification, a three- to five-year process which Blais likened to attaining a master's degree, and several others are considering it.

"There are only 293 National Board Certified teachers in the entire state, and we have had a total of two in this district as long as I have been here," Murphy said.

"To think that we have that many people now who are lined up and willing to take on that challenge is really quite impressive."

### Committee reports

Bethel Director Tim Carter, chair of the Facilities Committee, reported that his committee had met to discuss the elementary school playgrounds and to review the bus fleet, which he said is currently adequate for the district's needs. The committee discussed the feasibility of converting the bus fleet to LP gas from diesel, but determined that the environmental benefit would be minimal and the cost of the conversion and higher

fuel expense would be prohibitive.

Finance Committee Chair Bonnie Largess of Newry said her committee had received initial information they need to initiate the FY '17 budget process, and will be meeting almost weekly throughout March and April to complete it.

The Negotiations Committee met to begin reviewing contracts that are due to be renewed in the upcoming year.

Sheryl Morgan of Woodstock, chair of the Personnel/Policy Committee, reported that her committee had met to review the new policy on medical marijuana and the out of state field trip policy. They also met with a representative of Educational Networks to review options for a new district website.

### Board member comments

Director Norman Millard of Greenwood said he has tried to attend as many committee meetings as possible since joining the board last July. He said he had arrived for a recent Finance Committee meeting and found it had been rescheduled, but the full board had not been notified.

Finance Committee Chair Bonnie Largess apologized for the inconvenience and said that a medical emergency had necessitated the rescheduling.

Bethel director Tim Carter said he thought a board retreat needed to take place as soon as possible to give each member of the School Board a chance to express their frustrations and what they believe are their duties as board members "so we can work out some of our differences."

Carter said it was not necessary to schedule a retreat with an outside facilitator or at an outside location.

"We just need to sit down as board members and frankly discuss what we'd like to accomplish, and we can discuss goals and objectives of what we'd like to see established, and things like that," he said.

"We don't need somebody from the outside that we're going to spend money on, and that's my opinion."

### Statement from the chair

Board Chair Lainey Cross asked the board members to remember that they are a team.

"Our goal is to provide positive educational experiences for the students of SAD 44," she said.

"It is not our job to micro-manage our administration. It is not our responsibility to operate schools, but to see that they are operated well."

"The superintendent is the educational leader of our district. Our actions are limited to policy-making, leaving the administration of the schools to the superintendent."

"It is our responsibility to come prepared to board

meetings, listen with an open mind, respect the role of the board chair and other members, to support the decisions made by the board, even though your viewpoint may differ."

### Board votes

As reported in last week's Bethel Citizen, the board voted to authorize Murphy to execute a purchase and sale agreement for land adjoining the Telstar property, and also voted to create a committee to study the cost-sharing formula used by district towns, provided that Newry residents are given an opportunity to vote on terminating the withdrawal process.

Other board votes included the unanimous approval of an overnight field trip for a THS student to attend the All-State Music Festival at the University of Maine in Orono, May 19-21 and an out of state field trip for interested THS juniors and seniors to White Mountain Community College on January 26.

The board then approved a first reading of a change in the field trip policy that would give the superintendent the authority to approve out of state trips without the prior authorization of the School Board. Murphy said schedule changes sometimes prompt the need for out of state trips, especially by sports teams, without enough notice to seek the board's approval.

The board approved a first reading of a new medical marijuana policy. Murphy said the policy had been reviewed by school nurse Chris Cole. He also told the board that there are no current situations under which the policy would be used.

The Policy Committee recommended, and the School Board approved, an agreement with Educational Networks for developing a new district website.

Murphy said the administration had been exploring ways to better connect with students, parents, and alumni through social media and the district website.

As a result of those discussions, a Facebook page was created that now reaches several hundred people and regularly features updates on events and programs at the schools, as well as alumni profiles.

Responding to feedback that the SAD 44 website is difficult to use, Murphy said the administration began to look into a complete redesign of the website.

After reviewing several designs, the Policy Committee recommended a website design by Educational Networks that is attractive to viewers, offers a user-friendly interface, and can be customized with different levels of access and linked pages for each school.

(Note: The writer is a substitute teacher in the SAD 44 Adult Education Department.)

## Andover woman leads roofing project

By MATTHEW DAIGLE  
Sun Media

An Andover woman said last week she intends to start a fundraiser to help needy local homeowners whose roofs need repair.

Melanie Nordwall, a single mother of two children, said she came up with the idea of the Raise a Roof project last year, but she was in the middle of doing a fundraiser for another family in need.

"I figured that I could start the roof project in January," she said.

Nordwall said that while there are groups that provide funding assistance to people to repair their homes, a lot of the organizations examine income, while some elderly people and veterans are "just above the required line for assistance."

"Income isn't the only factor to take into account," Nordwall said. "I decided I wanted to try and come up with a fundraiser that would help people in the River Valley area who need a little extra help."

Nordwall said she would like to raise \$20,000 for the project.

"In order to hit that goal, I want to hold a lot of events over the summer that people can attend and donate to," Nordwall said.

The Apostolic Church of Rumford offered to help with fundraising and manpower, she said.

Criteria for assistance includes single-family homes owned by the occupants with a roof having more than 50 percent damage or disrepair; and a letter identifying the name, address and contact information of a potential person or family, along with an explanation of why help is needed.

"After we receive the letters, we'll select five or six of them randomly," Nordwall said.

Letters will be accepted in April, May and June, with the work beginning during the summer or fall. Residents can send their letters to P.O. Box 315, Andover, ME 04216.

"After we figure out the people who will have their roofs repaired, we still have to visit each home to see the roof and make sure it qualifies," Nordwall said. "If we end up raising enough money to fix a few houses, we'll fix them as soon as we have the money, rather than wait until the fall."

Nordwall said she created a Facebook page called "Raise a Roof (RVA)" that people can join for updates about fundraisers or to offer their services. She also created a website called myevent.com/RaiseaRoof where people can donate money.

Nordwall said the first fundraiser is selling Rada cutlery. "For the entire month of February, people can help by either collecting Rada cutlery orders or purchasing something," Nordwall said. "I'm hoping that we can raise enough money next month to help cover advertising costs or printing off fliers to post around the River Valley area."

## Panel

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Eastman also said he had talked with Newry Town Administrator Amy Bernard about options.

Bernard, who attended Monday's meeting, said that "neither side is finding room to negotiate. You need that room in order to make negotiations work."

She said a recommendation to go to binding arbitration was another option to try to get an agreement for Newry residents to consider. "If that doesn't come to be, then let it be known now that our alternative is to seek litigation and go to the court system, because you don't really have any other options."

Others on the panel were skeptical SAD 44 would go to arbitration.

"It would surprise me if the district agreed to it," said Attorney Dan Stockford, the NWC legal counsel, but he said there would be no harm in asking.

Committee member Wil-

liam Andrews said he would also be surprised.

Stockford said that unlike mediation (tried unsuccessfully by the NWC and SAD 44), which utilizes a facilitator to try to come to an agreement but does not require one, binding arbitration requires the parties to agree to abide by the decision of an arbitrator on what the withdrawal agreement would contain.

He said that while he believes the district negotiators would have the authority to enter arbitration, he would not expect them to be willing to turn the determination of the contents of a withdrawal agreement over to a third party.

NWC Chair Jim Sysko said after the committee's executive session that the group has not taken the arbitration option off the table.

Change the law?  
In December Eastman

wrote to Paula Gravelle of the DOE to urge the state to alter the statute to prevent other districts from taking the same approach SAD 44 has in negotiations.

"Our recent experience with Newry and its interactions with SAD 44 have exposed a flaw in the withdrawal statute that needs to be addressed by the department at the next legislative session..."

"I am concerned that since there is nothing in the law that requires parties to negotiate in good faith that this approach will be adopted by other districts who wish to gridlock the process. This strategy is not only costly (over \$100,000 to date) but it disenfranchises the voters of the town seeking withdrawal. Unless the department develops a remedy all future withdrawals may be in jeopardy."

He said he had not received a response on his concern.

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# Newry

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Left, Newry residents (from left) Doug Webster, Gary Drown, Brooks Morton, Jim Sysko and Bob Lowell listen as right (from left), Newry Town Administrator Amy Bernard and Selectmen Wendy Hanscom, Gary Wight and Jim Largess discuss whether to hold a referendum on terminating the school withdrawal process.

A. Aloisio

Tuesday's vote by the Newry selectmen came after about an hour of debate between people who favored the move and those who had reservations about trusting the School Board.

The night before, the Newry Withdrawal Committee had voted unanimously to support a town vote to "pause" the withdrawal process, not stop it, according to NWC Chairman Jim Sysko.

"Change 'terminate' to 'pause' and I'll be happy," he told selectmen at their meeting.

Sysko argued that a vote by Newry to stop the withdrawal process would deprive the town of any leverage it had in convincing voters in the other district towns to change the funding formula.

But Selectman Jim Lar-

gess said a referendum on terminating the process would finally give Newry residents what he said many want - an opportunity to vote.

"The withdrawal committee doesn't want to stop it - why would you? You're absolutely right and I get your logic. But what's the town think? ... Although it's not withdrawal, at least it gives us a chance to vote," he said.

Resident Doug Webster said he didn't like the idea. "We seem to be caving in as a town to the school," he said, noting that the withdrawal and funding formula processes can go on at the same time.

Replied Largess, "You are absolutely right, but let's let the town make that decision. All we have to do is ask." If the town votes to continue the withdrawal

effort, he said, the funding formula process could still happen, since the School Board did not make it contingent on a vote to terminate withdrawal.

But Selectman Gary Wight, who is also an NWC member, said the town has nothing in writing "saying that the School Board will do what they say."

Largess said it seemed clear at the School Board meeting that they were committed to the arrangement.

Webster said a better move would be for the selectmen to "back the Newry Withdrawal Committee 100 percent and say, 'we are going to go for withdrawal.' I think they would start the funding formula next week."

Largess, however, said he had not seen a withdrawal proposal that would make

education better for students in the region.

Replied resident Gary Drown, "But you're not representing the region. You're representing Newry."

Sysko said the other towns in SAD 44 are not paying even the equivalent of the state average per pupil tuition for their students, and if they would do that the "extra money from Newry [in the form of a proposed Targeted Grant Fund that is part of the NWC withdrawal proposal] would make a fantastic school system."

## Petitions

Town Administrator Amy Bernard said if Newry voted to end the withdrawal process and the funding formula process did not work out, Newry would have the option of starting the withdrawal

process over again by circulating another petition.

"It's 24 signatures and a 45-day notice," she said, but noted she is neither for nor against it.

The possibility of Newry residents circulating a different petition as an alternative means to start the funding formula change process was also discussed.

Although the state law requires signatures by a number of voters in SAD 44 that is 10 percent of the total who voted in the last gubernatorial election, Bernard noted all of those needed signatures could potentially be gathered in Newry.

"Maybe that's the way to go, is not do anything on this [on voting to hold a referendum] and get a petition started and let it

happen that way," Wight said.

The selectmen eventually came to the agreement to schedule the vote in June, allowing more time for the funding formula process to get underway and for Newry to see how it progresses.

"This is the selectboard starting the vote [for a referendum]; the selectboard can end the vote," said Largess.

After the vote Sysko commented, "We're buying some time. That's the way I look at it."

Resident Brooks Morton, a withdrawal supporter, said, "I feel better about this. It shows we're not going to just lay down and accept any conditions they throw out. We at least made a stand."

## From the OCSD Patrol Log

Wednesday, Jan. 27

At 6 a.m. Deputies Matt McDonnell and Derek MacDonald responded to Route 2/Bear River Road in Newry for a report of a personal injury crash involving a jogger. The jogger sustained minor injuries.

At 12:20 p.m. Deputy Derek MacDonald responded to Telstar High School for a report of a student bringing homemade knives to school.

Thursday, Jan. 28

At 12:51 p.m. Sgt. Matt Baker responded to Church Street in Bethel for a 911 hangup call. He called the number back and spoke to a student who said they were "messing around." Subjects were warned for the misuse of 911.

At 11:39 p.m. a traffic incident on Main Street in Bethel led to the arrest of Rexford Cummings for OUI and operating without a license on a conditional license.

Friday, Jan. 29

At 12:21 a.m. Deputy Josh Aylward conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle with a defective headlight on the Sunday River Road in Newry. Further investigation found the Massachusetts driver had a suspended license. He was charged with operating after suspension.

At 8:37 a.m. Deputy Josh Daley received a report of a traffic offense on Route 26 in Woodstock. The vehicle was contacted in Bethel and the driver was warned for erratic operation and excessive speed.

At 8:57 a.m. Deputy Josh Daley received a call for

a request to speak with an officer on Main Street in Bethel. He made contact with a complainant. The issue involved juvenile students. It was to be investigated further.

Saturday, Jan. 30

At 10:05 a.m. Deputy Matt McDonnell conducted a traffic stop for original speed on the Greenwood Road in Greenwood. The driver was summonsed.

At 9:45 p.m. Deputies Matt McDonnell and Josh Aylward received a report that a subject was damaging a vehicle on the Sunday River Road in Newry. The deputies documented the damage and spoke with both parties involved.

Sunday, Jan. 31

At 1:46 a.m. Deputy Derek MacDonald responded to an accident on Main Street in Greenwood in which the driver left the scene. The crash was under investigation.

At 12:22 p.m. Deputy Andy Whitney took a report of a lost computer in a soft black case in the Sunday River area. Anyone finding it was asked to turn it in to the OCSD.

At 1:01 p.m. Deputy Derek MacDonald pulled over a vehicle on Mayville Road in Bethel for erratic operation. Following investigation Amanda Roderick, 27, of Middletown, R.I. was arrested for OUI.

At 1:18 p.m. Deputy Josh Daley responded to Mayville Road in Bethel for a personal injury accident with two vehicles and three occupants. Minor injuries were reported.

Monday, Feb. 1

At 11:37 p.m. Deputy Josh Daley, the Bethel Fire Department and Bethel Rescue responded to the East Bethel Road in Bethel for a chimney fire.

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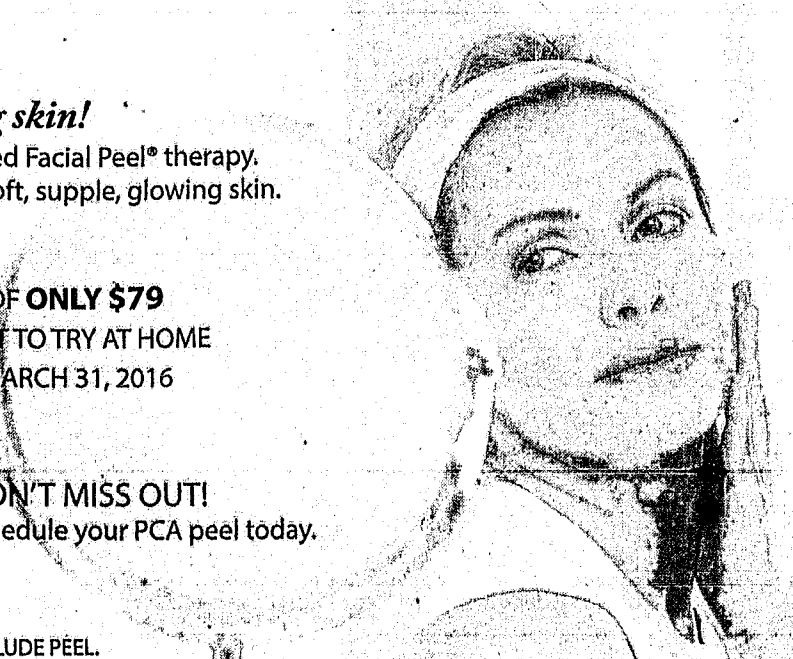
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## Jogger's foot caught by truck

NEWRY-A Hanover woman escaped serious injury last Wednesday when her foot was run over by an empty pulp truck at Newry Corner, according to Oxford County Deputy Derek MacDonald. Susan Owens, 53, was jogging through the intersection at about 6 a.m. when the westbound truck on Route 2 turned onto Bear River Road, MacDonald said. Her right foot was run over by the left front tire of the vehicle. MacDonald said the report he received was that driver David Fish, 58, of Woodstock did not see Owens, who he said was wearing reflective clothing and lights. Fish returned quickly to the scene, the deputy said. Owens was taken to the hospital. No charges are expected, according to MacDonald.

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marinara sauce served over linguini

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## Warm winter makes ice conditions questionable

By Ron Fournier  
Orion Outfitters and Guide Service

In contrast to 2015, this year's ice fishing season was off to a slow start, with many area lakes and ponds freezing late, or in some cases, not at all. Anxious anglers had to be much more careful in choosing a location to start fishing in early January as warmer than normal temperatures and rainfall reduced the amount of ice expected. Smaller ponds of course froze earlier than the larger lakes, but tributaries and rain made weak spots and dangerous conditions in many areas. As we round the corner into February, most of the smaller lakes are now holding 8-12" of ice, yet caution should still be taken on unfamiliar waterbodies, especially in the southern part of the state or near moving water.

Locally, the Bethel area has enjoyed good conditions and above average fishing for over 3 weeks now. Many people have traveled to the region from the southern part of the state because the conditions have been more reliable. The milder weather has been welcoming for folks taking children out to enjoy the sport. During the past weekend, sunny skies and temps in the high 30's made for a great time to get outdoors in hopes of catching the big one! When planning on a day on the ice, make sure that you check ice conditions before you venture out, as conditions can and do change over the course of a few days. Sunscreen, sunglasses, and layers are the key to staying warm and protected from the increased sun exposure. Also, knowing the regulations for each waterbody is important to make sure you are fishing legally, as some lakes have restrictions on species and bag limits.

For fishing with children, we usually target bass and pickerel for the most action and catch rates, while for the distinguished fishing folks, we seek trout and Landlocked Salmon.

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Gunner Fournier with a brook trout caught on a smelt, with 10" of ice.

R. Fournier

### Bethel

By DON BENNETT



Candid camera news items this week are: the Waste Water Treatment Plant's new 3/4-ton Ford truck has arrived; the Gem Theater billboard reports that the new projectors have been shipped; installation is expected to take place from Feb. 9 to 12 - movies soon; the entrance to the Mt Will trail looks to be in good shape for those with an inclination to hike (but the new

kiosk has no postings yet) and at Café DiCocoa's it's Bernie For President.

This week I had a new contributor to the Bethel Journals, Richard Bland, a retired archaeologist, formerly of the University of Oregon Museum of Natural and Cultural History who had prepared a paper which included a section on mid-19th Century Maine written by a German national, Traugott Bromme. Herr Bromme had produced handbooks to aid his countrymen who had immigrated to the United States. The new item is at <http://www.the->



The Bethel Waste Water Treatment Plant's new truck.

D. Bennett

[betheljournals.info/Bromme-Maine.pdf](http://betheljournals.info/Bromme-Maine.pdf).

### Ski Tour the White Mountains Association in the 1980s

The no-snow winter of 1979-80, severely hurt ski areas without snowmaking. Ski areas like Evergreen Valley and two of the smaller ones in Jackson, N.H. were forced to close. Ski touring a.k.a. cross country skiing was given sort of a seasonal double whammy. At the Sunday River Inn Steve Wight took his crew to Grafton Notch and found some snow for his cross country ski customers to use. Conditions across the whole White Mountains area were affected.

For the next season of 1980/81 six cross country ski areas formed a co-op program they named Ski Tour the White Mountains. This group consisted of The Jackson Ski Touring Foundation, Thom Perkins, director; Waterville Valley, Chuck Moser, ski touring director; Sunday River Ski Touring Center, Steve Wight, owner and director; Bretton Woods (Mt. Washington Hotel), Bill Brown, director; Bethel Inn, Dick Hoisington, director; and Balsams/Wilderness, Tom Nangle, director.

News about the new association ran this way for the opening of the 1980/81 season:

"White Mountains Ready for Cross Country Skiers"

Jackson, N.H. "Cross country ski centers in the White Mountains are ready to provide this year's skiers the best in outdoor winter recreation found in the eastern United States," says Thom Perkins, President of the Ski Tour the White Mountains Association. The association is a non-profit group of six major cross country ski centers located in New Hampshire and Maine. It is devoted to advancing the attractiveness of ski touring in terms of excellence in trails, facilities, accommodations, instruction and variety of experience as well as in promoting the health benefits derived from this form of ex-

ercise. The association's headquarters is located in Jackson, N.H., co-located with the Jackson Ski Touring Foundation.

According to Perkins, one of the outstanding values this association offers is a ski around ticket for midweek skiers. "Actually," says Perkins, "skiers can get six ski areas for the price of one by taking advantage of the association's 5 day, midweek ski around ticket. A skier or family group can purchase a 5 day trail ticket from anyone of the six centers - Balsams/Wilderness, Bretton Woods, Bethel Inn, Jackson, Sunday River or Waterville Valley and ski at anyone of the other five areas weekdays for no extra charge while the ticket is valid."

Other advantages offered by the association are (1) assurance of high quality operations and trail maintenance by its members, and (2) a centralized source of ski touring information in the area of New England's most bountiful snowfall.

Ski Tour the White Mountains information about events and locations was sent to Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts newspapers as news release letters.

Kathy, our daughter Apryl and I worked on the news releases that were mailed to a large newspaper audience. Getting into this project meant that I had a good excuse to visit all the areas in the association and meet the men in charge of the ski touring centers. Otherwise I would probably not ever have visited the Mount Washington Hotel where the 1944 Bretton Woods monetary conference was held. That hotel is beyond impressive.

### This Week's Bethel Journals Personality Profile -

Henry Hastings, Sr.

Henry H. Hastings was born in Bethel, March 25, 1865, the son of St. John and Elizabeth (Atherton) Hastings. (Today John and Bonita Marshall's house stands about where the Hastings homestead once

stood very near Sunday River.) He graduated from Gould Academy and Bowdoin College. He married Miss Ethel Richardson in 1916 and they had one son Henry Harmon Jr., born Oct. 13, 1918. Mr. Hastings began the practice of law in 1899 in the law office of Hon. Richard Frye. Henry Hastings was Bethel Schools Superintendent in 1903 when Maine passed the law obligating towns to pay high school tuition.

He was active in state politics - a member of Governor Percival Baxter's Council in 1921-22. He served on the Prison Commission since 1923. He represented Oxford County as the Republican Representative to the legislature in 1905 and served two terms in the State Senate in 1907-1909. In 1931 he served as Judge at the Oxford Probate Court. Judge Hastings and his family owned a fine residence on lower Church Street near the Gould field house.



HON. HENRY H. HASTINGS

### Bethel

By NANCY BROWN



My father, Edwin Brown, was one of the first people in the Bethel area to own an airplane. Dad was part of a local group of flying enthusiasts that included Carmen Onofrio, Sid Dyke, and Leslie and Dick Davis. He learned many of his flying skills in the late 1930s from John West, a Berlin, N.H., pilot. I never thought of Dad as a risk taker. In fact, quite the opposite. This weekend I learned another side of him from John Winslow.

John told me that my father was known for landing his plane in tight spots. In the late 1940s John was picking potatoes for Ernest Buck in the field at the foot of Hudson Hill. Chadbourne Tree

Farms now grows pine trees in that field. The potatoes were already harvested, John said. "David Buck and I were standing in the field near the barn and Edwin Brown landed his plane in the potato field. He turned the plane around and taxied over to where we were standing and talked to us." After a few minutes, John said, Ed got back in the plane, and taxied down the field. "David and I just knew he was going to crash into the fence at the end of the field," John said. "But at the last minute the plane appeared to hop into the air and he flew off toward Locke's Mills."

John also told me about the time my dad "lost his engine" over the Albany Town House and made an emergency landing in a nearby field. My mother corroborated John's stories. "He always wanted to see how small a space he could land in," she said.

My flights with Dad were tamer. Except for the time he took me up over Rumford and the latch on the passenger door of the old two-seater came undone. Dad casually reached across and pulled the door shut. "Don't worry," he said. "The seat belt will hold you in." We continued our flight.

DiCocoa's in Bethel is listed in Downeast Magazine's February 2016 issue as having one of "vacationland's 30 most mouth-watering breakfast dishes." Their outstanding dish is almond granola. "Owner Cathi DiCocoa and her crew obsess over unadulterated ingredients - they even make the vanilla extract used in their granola," Downeast wrote. They continued: "A honey-sweetened mixture of baked oats; toasted sliced almonds and sunflower, pumpkin, sesame, and flax seeds, DiCocoa's granola has just the right ratio of crispy cluster to nutty crumble. Served with yogurt (house-made, of course)." Well done, DiCocoa's.

My mother and I ate lunch at Kowloon Village on Sunday afternoon. As we ate, we watched cars (and trucks) turning from the Parkway onto Route 26. Most of them did not stop at the stop sign; a few did rolling stops; but only a handful came to the complete stop that is required at a "Stop" sign. This is one of Bethel's busiest intersections. I think we were both astounded at the total disregard for the "rules of the road." I have two thoughts: Be extremely careful if you're driving this section of Route 26, and sheriff's deputies, please take note.

February is American Heart Month. Saturday, Feb. 6, is National Wear Red Day, which helps draw attention to the issue of heart disease in women. Heart disease and stroke kill 1 in 3 women, but it's 80 percent preventable. February is a time for us to educate ourselves about heart disease and make some healthy changes.

If you have news to share, please e-mail me at [bnancy1950@gmail.com](mailto:bnancy1950@gmail.com).

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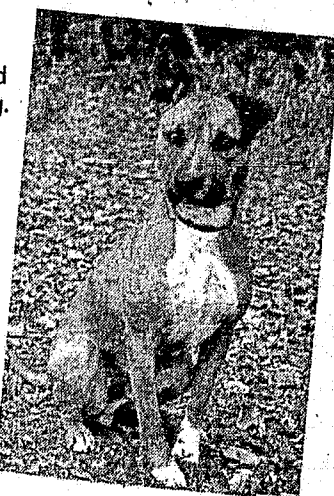
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## East Bethel

By WALLY RITZ



My word, the day of me writing this, Feb. 1, and it has been another balmy day for this season. I do not recall having experienced this warm and lack of snow kind of winter since I moved to Maine in 1986. I do feel bad for all the men and the town crew who earn extra money in the Winter months, but aside from that, I do not mind this weather. Seeing how this is so unusual, I would like to hear predictions from you all for the month of February or memories of this kind of winter. Call me at 507-1008 or e-mail heinrichcrack-er@gmail.com.

For all who know Marcia and Laurence, they made it to England safe and sound. They are staying at a B&B till they find their new permanent home there. I would bet the breakfast there is nowhere near as good as Laurence can make it... wonder if they can keep him out of the kitchen? Have a great week.

## West Bethel

By KAREN PAUL



How did a 16 year old farm girl from the Flat Road in West Bethel end up in Italy drinking vino Italiano and eating true Neapolitan pizza? My freshman year at Gould Academy I found myself in Latin classes with Dr. Wooley and 20 other kids. It took a few weeks of pure terror for me to finally tell my mother that I had no idea what Latin was. Amo, amas, amat, amamos, amatis, amant. Femina, feminae, feminae, feminae, femina. Together the class spoke like untrained singers learning a Gregorian chant.

By my junior year I found myself at Telstar in Latin III. Senor Felix Otero-Otero taught the Latin class with vim and vigor often singing in operatic voices to showcase his enthusiasm for the subject matter. Our year would include typical Latin prose and poetry translating Caesar, Cicero, and Horace to name a few. It was the section on the Roman Forum with its monuments and crumbling buildings which Senor Otero became consumed with the idea that we should visit the Forum not just look at it in a book.

The year was 1970, Feb. 13 when 17 classmates and I arrived in Milan at 2 p.m. and met our Italian guide, Dominique. This tall handsome man spoke English with a thick Italian accent which would be music in my ears for the next two weeks. We boarded a private motor coach and were whisked to the Hotel Dei Cavalieri. After quickly unloading our luggage into our rooms, we were off sight-seeing. We stopped at the most famous cathedral in Milan, the Duomo di Milano. As soon as we departed the bus we were bombarded by young boys wielding plastic baseball bats. After being hit a few times, we all ran back to the bus with battered and torn clothing. It was Carnival time in Italy and we got caught in the frenzy and excitement.

Judy Angevine and I were put together and

stayed roommates for the entire trip. We had many wonderful experiences during our two weeks on our "Treasures of Italy" tour. I'll tell you more another time.

## Locke's Mills

By AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN



Norm Milliard emailed to let me know that Peter Musso of Greenwood is the Artist of the Month for February at the Local Hub. He has been painting for many years and since his retirement he has found extra time to pursue his passion for art. Peter will have framed as well as unframed pieces for sale. Stop by to view his works, and enjoy some of the Hub's delicious food.

Here's an idea for an outdoor winter activity that combines art and exercise. Betsey Foster shared a Facebook post about the stunning "snow art" created by British artist Simon Beck and suggested it would be fun to try to create something similar on one of our local ponds.

Beck straps on snowshoes and walks for miles to create geometric designs on unbroken expanses of snow. Trained as an engineer, and an expert in orienteering, he uses a set of sketches and a compass to plan his designs and determine how many steps are needed for each part of the drawing. A large design can cover three or more acres and require nearly 20 miles of snowshoeing.

If we get a fresh snowfall and a day without much wind, it would be fun to try a much smaller and less impressive version of Beck's snow art on North, Round, or South Pond, or in a field somewhere, before they get crisscrossed with snowmobile trails. I don't know a thing about orienteering or how to use a directional compass, but I wonder if it would be possible to at least create some circles by using a string tied to a stick as a drawing compass.

I actually haven't even set foot on any of the ponds yet this year. The fact that I was out in a kayak on Christmas Day has made me wary about the safety of the ice, although I've seen a few people out ice-fishing on North Pond recently. I guess we've had enough cold weather to make the ice thick enough to be out on, but certainly nothing like last year, when some fishermen found that their standard ice augers weren't long enough to drill all the way through to the water below.

Last winter I had a large flock of redpolls at my birdfeeders every day for a few weeks, beginning on January 15, but this year I haven't had any. I just read that they only come this far south when food is scarce in their preferred habitat, which is mostly in Canada. The same is true of pine siskins, another visitor from last year that I haven't seen this winter.

I haven't had nearly as many woodpeckers and nuthatches as last year, either, and I wonder if that means that with the warmer temperatures this winter, they are still able to find bugs and grubs under the bark of trees.

The most frequent visitors to our feeders have been goldfinches, purple finches, chickadees, and juncos, along with a few American tree sparrows,



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a couple of white-throated sparrows, and one female cardinal. There has been a male cardinal only once when I've been watching, and he only stayed for a minute, not even long enough for me to snap a photo.

Daylight report: The days are more than an hour longer now than they were six weeks ago! Most of the increase so far has been in the afternoon, but by the end of February, we will have gained almost an hour in the morning, which should make waking up easier, at least until we set the clocks forward on March 13 and sunrise goes back to 6:58, about where it is right now.

And here's something to look forward to, if you're a fan of early mornings, as I am: during June, the sun rises at 5:00 or earlier every morning except June 30, when it rises at 5:01.

Enjoy your week! Email your news to [amy.w.chapman@gmail.com](mailto:amy.w.chapman@gmail.com), leave a message at 875-5511, or contact me on Facebook.

## Andover

By JANE RICH



While our pocket books are enjoying the warm weather, we all realize this is not good for those of our friends who depend on snow for their winter business here in this corner of the State of Maine. Lack of snowmobilers, ice fishermen and cross country enthusiasts impacts our small businesses in towns like Andover. So called "open winters" happen every few years, as I discovered reading highlights from past years in the "Citizen" last week.

The Budget Committee finished up their work last Wednesday evening by lopping off \$4,000 from the Town Office Budget. Having attended all of the committee meetings, I can say that all of the departments were very aware of our over-all budget problems due to our new obligations regarding our elementary school. The proposed budget is about as bare-boned as it can be. I will endeavor to report a total budget figure next week with some of the breakdown.

The Selectmen, after some discussion with Secretary, Hope Peterson, looked at the cost of producing the annual Town Report booklet and have decided to remove some reports and post them to the Town website. The

booklet will still include department reports from the Fire Department, Library, Highway, Transfer Station but reports from the Olde Home Day Committee, Service Circle, Snow Valley Sno-Goers, East Andover Community Club and Ellis River Riders, Andover Alumni Association will not be in the printed report. This idea came about by looking through previous annual report booklets. These reports were added in recent years. This has been done in the interest of economy and will still provide essential information to the public in preparation for annual Town Meeting.

On a personal note, thanks to my friends, you know who you are, who have come to my aid once again while I contend with Vertigo. Those of you who have had it know how debilitating it is and has left me unable to drive which is not a good thing in this neck of the woods. I'm pretty much confined to quarters, but am hoping this will pass soon. It is not fun!

## Gilead

By LIN CHAPMAN



The first month of 2016 seems to have gone by fairly quickly. Some mild weather certainly has helped.

My brother, Steve McLain, stopped by the house last Saturday. He arrived early and got the steps cleaned off from the little bit of snow that we got Friday night. He also was nice enough to clean off the Jeep for me.

Since we have had to make some trips to Portland for appointments this past week, we have had some help from our son, Tim Chapman, and Bob and Judy Bishop. The Bishops arrived Tuesday morning with dinner and dessert for later. Mary Tyler arrived Wednesday with dinner for another night.

Many thanks to those who have been generous with their kindness and good thoughts. Among them are the grandchildren, Sidney and Ajay, Leo and Ann Croteau, Norm Buttrick and Steve and Lise McLain. Also, thanks to Tanner McLean, our next door neighbor, for checking on us Saturday morning to be sure the steps were free of snow. Danna Nickerson gets kudos for sending cheering e-

mails.

Also, since I could not be at the town office on the past two Tuesdays, my deputy clerk, Judy Perille, has been very helpful. Thanks for everyone's patience in my absence.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail [chapmal@hotmail.com](mailto:chapmal@hotmail.com).

## Hanover

By MARIA HOLLOWAY



The Trustees of the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library will hold their monthly meeting

next Tuesday, Feb. 9 at 6 p.m. at the Library. The Library Bees continue to meet on Tuesdays from 1 to 3 p.m. All have been busy with various projects. You are welcome to join in. Bring a project to work on, or come to meet new friends and enjoy conversation and good company.

Two area restaurants are offering some sweet deals this coming Valentine's weekend. The River Valley Grill in Rumford Center is offering 20-percent off two dinner entrees on Friday, Feb. 12 from 5 to 7 p.m., and 10-percent off breakfast and a free coffee with the purchase of two breakfast entrees on Feb. 13 and 14 from 8 to 11 a.m. The Little Red Hen Diner on Main Street in Andover is serving a Valentine's Day dinner on Feb. 14 from 5 to 8 p.m. The three course meal includes your choice of prime rib, seared scallops, maple glazed salmon or rosemary pork roast for \$17.99 per person. Reservations are required. Both restaurants serve delicious food, and have friendly service and great prices.

For some great comedy at the end of this month, don't miss The Maine Event at Mystic Theatre at 49 Franklin Street in Rumford. Scheduled for Feb. 27 at 8 p.m., the 18+ comedy show will feature three seasoned standup comics. Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door. For more info, visit [www.49franklin.com](http://www.49franklin.com). The theatre is beautiful

and the intimate setting makes for a special experience.

Congratulations, Mitzi Sequoia, on your first live, standup comedy performance. Mitzi told her story of her "migration" from Florida to Maine back in the 1990s and how she assimilated to life in the Western Maine foothills. Bravo, Mitzi. Very funny!

Please send me your news, questions, comments to [HanoVerMe-News@gmail.com](mailto:HanoVerMe-News@gmail.com).

## Upton

By JOE BERNIER



Attendance at the Upton Ladies Aid Sunday Breakfast is growing.

The breakfast provides a nice opportunity to visit with friends and neighbors and the food is good, too.

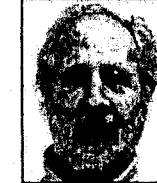
The State Line Snowmobile Club has picked a date for their annual Fishing Derby/Cookout. It will be held Saturday, Feb. 27. I will give more details as I receive them.

The Upton Selectmen will meet Tuesday, Feb. 9 at 7 p.m. at the town office. Please help! It is very obvious that my snow-dance is not working. Feb. 1 is much too early to start mud-season.

Call 533-2010 or e-mail [backstjoe@gmail.com](mailto:backstjoe@gmail.com) with your local news.

## Newry

By DOUG WEBSTER



The Newry withdrawal Committee had a meeting on Monday the first.

Jim Sysko said the committee was hoping to get a proposal from the school board last Friday. Instead they received a four page letter, once again explaining how the school board is not willing to negotiate. Instead of a proposal, the School Board Committee sent a four page letter, explaining how they were good negotiators, and have done plenty of negotiating in the past. Just so everybody is clear, here is the Merriam/ Webster definition of negotiating: "the act or process of having a discussion in order to reach an agreement." Maybe the school board has done it in the past, but they definitely, by definition, are not doing it now.

The reason the school board committee keeps giving for not moving ahead is that it would be fiscally irresponsible because the remainder of the district will not pay the extra money if Newry withdraws from the district. The leadership for the school must be speaking for themselves, because there is no way they can possibly know that for a fact. I have no doubt that

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school board will stop using this false narrative and stop trying to scare the public.

Educational consultant Mark Eastman wrote a letter to the Commissioner of Education back in November. He was asking the Commissioner about SAD 44's negotiating in good faith. He got a response from former commissioner Jim Ryer. He said it was not the first time that towns had to threaten litigation to keep the process moving forward. That seems to be the only way to keep the school administration from stonewalling. Everyone stay tuned for the next episode of this ongoing saga.

Last week I said that people had till the end of February to register their dogs. That was a mistake; it was the end of January when people had to have their dogs registered. Sorry for the mistake. Call the town office if you have any questions.

### Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT



The Whitman Memorial Library program for February will be on Thursday, Feb. 11 at 2 p.m. at the library. Guest speaker will be Jane Chandler talking about age-friendly community needs of Woodstock. This is based on a survey taken in area communities. She will talk about the greatest needs to the town of Woodstock as people age. Public is invited to attend, no charge. Light refreshments.

The Woodstock-Greenwood senior citizens will meet (today) Thursday, Feb. 4 at Ledgerview Living Center, West Paris, for a meeting and dinner put on by Ledgerview. New members always welcome. Dues are \$2. Meeting starts at 11:30.

Franklin Grange 124 will meet Saturday, Feb. 6 at the home of Ken and Alice Hoyt at 10 a.m. followed by a potluck dinner. Please bring a dish to share.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15, Morning Worship at 10:30, Evening Service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is Mid-Week Service, Bloom for girls 13 to 18 and Foundations for guys 15 and up. Tuesday, Feb. 9 at 9 a.m. is Ladies' Coffee Cup Devotions. All ladies are invited. Sunday evening, Jan. 24, guests were Larry and Melissa Strout who have been missionaries since 1974 and recently retired. They are available for speaking at special occasions or pulpit supply.

### So. Woodstock

By LOLALEE DILLINGHAM



Monday, Feb. 1, 2016 Good morning, it's a beautiful sunny day with a 52 degree temperature and a great mild day for the first of February.

Condolences to the families of John Longley, Trudy Morse, George Ridley, Jr., and Glendon Briggs. Thoughts and prayers to each family member.

Get well wishes to all those who are down with medical issues.

Have so enjoyed this mild winter so far, it's been great for the fuel bills.

Paula and I entertained for the residents here in town last Tuesday, they always make us feel so welcome and want to know when we are coming back to see them.

Celebrating February birthdays are Melody Hadley, Ginny Luneau, Keith Hadley, JoAnne Appleby, Zachery Wilday, and Jim Mason, III.

Celebrating February anniversaries are Elwood and Barbara Yeaton and Gordon (Yogi) and Lolalee Dillingham.

Wishing y'all a Happy Valentine's Day.

That's all from the valley this week. Stay well and enjoy these wonderful mild days.

And remember spring is only a few short weeks away.

### Waterford

By ROCKIE GRAHAM



It is Feb. 1 and tomorrow is mid-winter and of course ground hog day. Today it is 40+ and was sunny. What a strange winter this is. It is icy on the road, but wet and muddy in the yard. Before we know it it will be spring. I bet maple syrup will be early this year. For now, it is just pleasant and mild.

A new class starts at OHCHS for us. It is an exercise class for us old fuddy-duddies. Hope it is good. It is in the evening and will go with Tuesday and Friday afternoon classes. Hope I do well. Need to get in better shape. Wish me luck.

Thursday, Feb. 4 at Norway Library from 3 to 5 p.m. the library will celebrate Harry Potter Night. The will be an afternoon of games, including costuming, magic spells, a Hogwarts potions classroom, etc. Stay tuned later in the month for Inventors Day, on Feb. 11, and Game day during school vacation week, Feb. 18, from 12 to 5 p.m. FMI call teen services coordinator Cynthia Riley at 743-5309.

CEBE and Alan Day Community Garden will be ordering seeds. The deadline to order is Feb. 11.

Friday, Feb. 5, join friends and neighbors at Waterford Library for coffee and talk. All are welcome. FMI please call 583-2050.

Saturday, Feb. 6, the American Legion at Church Street in South Paris will hold a yard sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. A lunch counter will be open and 50/50 tickets will be for sale.

Monday, Feb. 8, Knitters are welcome at Waterford Library for Knit and Chat. Again FMI call 583-2050.

Feb. 13 at the Norway Library the Delightful Desert Extravaganza will return from noon to 3 p.m. This is a drop-in event and there will be a variety of desserts to choose from. This is a fundraiser for the library. Cost is \$5 for 5 desserts. Complimentary coffee and tea will be available. There will also be a raffle of whole specialty desserts. Bakers are welcome FMI please call 743-5309 ext. 1.

I know I shouldn't, but I might have to hit the Desert Extravaganza. Too tempting not to. It is a Saturday, so I will be in town to go to the Farmer's Market anyway.



An Andover resident got this photo Sunday of cedar waxwings sitting in her crabapple tree. She reported dozens of the birds visited that day - but all were gone on Monday.

That is all for this week. Have a great week and if you have anything you would like to see me put in this column please call me at 743-0583.

### Mason

By RICHARD GROVER



I encountered unexpected difficulties when I attempted to purchase roundtrip tickets to Mazatlan, Mexico. I initially tried to purchase the tickets from Cheapo Air for roundtrip for two seniors from Portland to Mazatlan.

The website kept finding round-about trips with two or more changes of aircraft and interim stops at such exotic places as Detroit, Mich. or Los Angeles, Calif. and long wait times between flights. The prices were high, too, averaging around \$1,000 per person.

Then I decided to try connections from Logan Airport, Boston, Mass. On Jan. 8 I finally found a flight from Boston to Mazatlan on AeroMexico with only one interim stop - Mexico City, with a short layover and a 1.5 hour flight from there to Mazatlan. But the price was still high. Then we checked with Katrina to see if she wanted to go with us, and she found roundtrip tickets through Orbitz on the same airline for less than \$600 per person, but Kate said she had to work.

I then contacted Orbitz and ordered the AeroMexico tickets at the cheap price. Next day when we received our itinerary online, I discovered that either I or someone else made a typographical error and spelled my first name with the letter "K" inserted between the "R" and the "I" in Richard. Since that spelling would

obviously not match my passport spelling, I reconnected with Orbitz online. The procedures for correcting spelling errors were so confusing I went on the Orbitz chat line to converse directly with someone via the computer.

The Orbitz person was friendly and tried to help, but he found that AeroMexico will not allow name changes on their airline tickets. Then my contact asked me to hold while he checked with his supervisor. After a wait of several minutes, my chat room contact came back online and said his supervisor would contact AeroMexico and would send an e-mail confirmation of my name spelling change within 48 hours.

After two days I still received no e-mails from Orbitz. I repeated the above procedure with similar results. No e-mail confirmation.

Then Mona took my notes and began trying to make phone contact with Orbitz, and finally, after a couple hours of frustration, she found a phone number to contact AeroMexico directly by phone. A nice lady with a heavy Mexican accent finally understood our problem, checked it out, and told us verbally that my name spelling error had been corrected on our confirmation the date of my first chat line contact. She would send us an e-mail within 48 hours confirming this. We still have not received e-mail confirmation, but today, Jan. 25, Mona again got on the phone, and after several calls finally found a number for AeroMexico where a live person confirmed my name was spelled correctly and this time we did receive and e-mail confirmation of all our flight connections and my name spelled correctly! Yahoo!

## Eddy School plans event to celebrate National School Choice Week

The Eddy School will hold a special event on Monday, Feb. 22.

This event will feature two opportunities for local residents to visit The Eddy School to experience the educational choice that exists in their own backyard. See the students in action any time between 10 and 11:30 a.m. or come after hours any time between 6 and 7:30 p.m.

The Eddy School is an independent school serving grades 5 through 8.

The Eddy is one of more than 12,000 schools participating in National School Choice Week (Jan. 24-30, 2016). The goal of the week is to shine a positive spotlight on all types of education options for children - from traditional public schools to public charter schools, magnet schools, private schools, online learning and homeschooling. The event will be held at our school.

"We are thrilled to have The Eddy participate in National School Choice Week by holding this special event," said Andrew Campanella, National School Choice Week president. "The week provides an opportunity for families in communities across America to discover more about the education options available to children. We salute the students, teachers and staff at The Eddy for their dedication to providing a quality education for children, and for their involvement in this nationwide celebration."

For more information about the event, visit <http://TheEddySchool.com>.

For more information about National School Choice Week, visit [schoolchoiceweek.com](http://schoolchoiceweek.com).

## New NAMI Western Maine affiliate named

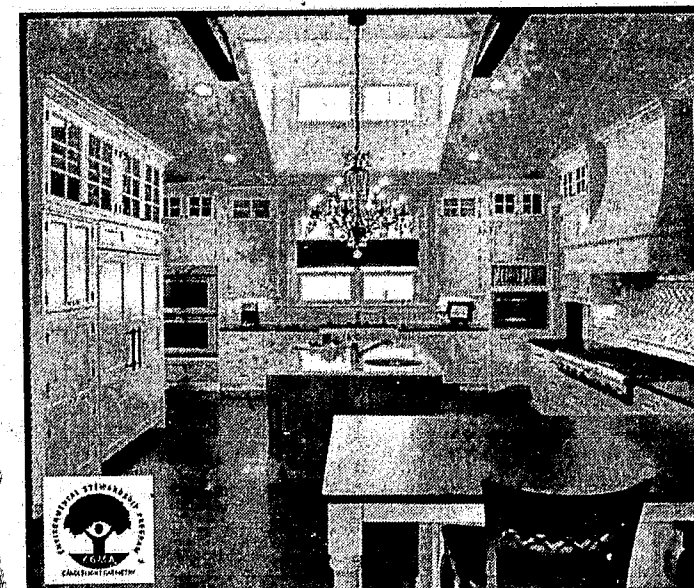
NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Maine has a new affiliate, NAMI Western Mountains, ME. It will serve Oxford and Franklin counties. NAMI's affiliates are grassroots groups of volunteers who embrace the mission of NAMI to raise awareness, provide support, advocacy and education through NAMI's many programs and events for individuals, families and professionals whose lives are affected by mental illness.

The mission of NAMI Western Mountains, ME is to provide support groups, education on mental illness to individuals, families and the communities, do local outreach and support an annual NAMI Maine walk team to help raise funds. (NAMI's programs are free - with an occasional \$5 fee for lunch - but funds are needed for some outreach (i.e. speakers' fees, advertising and food). Other responsibilities include grassroots advocacy on mental health issues and work with other community groups (i.e. Healthy Communities) to further the NAMI agenda and to grow NAMI's presence to help build communities of hope. The new affiliate will work to reduce stigma and to bring NAMI's resource information and programs to the local area to help address its needs relative to mental health challenges.

Right now, NAMI Western Mountains, ME offers two support groups: a family group in Farmington and a family and peer support group in Rumford. It is hoped to have support groups for peers, youth and veterans, as well as more family groups. Additionally, education courses are offered including NAMI's Family to Family education course which has been taught in Farmington, Rumford and Dixfield in 2014 and 2015. This course is being planned for the Oxford Hills area in 2016. Inspiring Minds for individuals with mental health challenges was presented in Rumford last fall. Mental Health First Aid (Adult or Youth classes) have been held in Mexico, Farmington and South Paris; three more are being scheduled for this spring. CIT (Crisis Intervention Training) for law enforcement and first responders will be held in Rumford in April. A Suicide Awareness and Prevention program has been presented in Dixfield. In addition, NAMI FaithNet's program "Bridges of Hope" is being presented in Andover on Feb. 18 (snow date of March 3).

NAMI is the nation's leading voice on mental illness and the largest non-profit mental health organization dedicated to making lives better for millions of Americans affected by mental illness.

For information about any or all NAMI programs offered in Maine, you may visit the NAMI Maine website: [www.namimaine.org](http://www.namimaine.org) or call NAMI Maine at 1-800-464-5767.



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## Free Screening of Film "Living for 32"

The First Universalist Church of Norway and the Maine Chapter of Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America will co-sponsor the free screening of the award winning film, "Living for 32," on Thursday, Feb. 11, at 7 p.m. at the church, 479 Main Street, Norway. The doors will open at 6 p.m. and all are welcome. Free popcorn and beverages will be served.

Selected for screening at the Sundance Film Festival, "Living for 32" is the inspirational story of Colin Goddard, a survivor of the tragic gun shooting massacre which occurred on the Virginia Tech campus, April 16, 2007. The winning combination of Colin's passion, charisma and optimism has commanded the attention of the American public and media since the devastating incident which left 32 dead and 17 injured. In "Living for 32," Colin shares an intimate account of terror he and his classmates

endured and the courageous journey of renewal and hope he chose to pursue.

Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America is a grassroots movement of American mothers fighting for public safety measures that respect the Second Amendment and protect people from gun violence. Moms Demand Action campaigns for new and stronger solutions to lax gun laws and loopholes that jeopardize the safety of our children and families.

Since its inception after the tragedy at Sandy Hook Elementary School, Moms Demand Action has established a chapter in every state of the country and, along with Mayors Against Illegal Guns and the Everytown Survivor Network, it is part of Everytown for Gun Safety, the largest gun violence prevention organization in the country with more than three million supporters.



**DISTRICT 2 PERFORMERS**-Telstar High School Music Department students recently performed with a collective 131 vocalists at the District 2 Vocal Festival: Alec Fowles (tenor), Elijah Laird (tenor), Savannah Vermette (alto), and Carla Boyle-Wight (soprano). Their concert concluded a two-day event studying and performing traditional and non-traditional Choral literature hosted by Windham High School. The festival conductor was music educator Dr. Bob Russell, Professor Emeritus of Music at University of Southern Maine. Boyle-Wight (flautist) also performed with a collective 150 instrumentalists. Their concert concluded a two-day event studying and performing traditional symphonic band literature hosted by Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School. Their festival conductor was the music educator/musician John Mastroianni, who teaches music in Hartford, Conn. (Submitted photo)

## Prime Time Ski Club news

Ski conditions at Sunday River ski area continue to be good at least early to mid-morning and sometimes throughout the day thanks to the mountain's top-notch snowmakers and groomers who help out Mother Nature when she refuses to cooperate with the ski industry - like this year. Of course, even in the best conditions, accidents can happen and skiers should be prepared if an accident happens to them. When one of our Prime Time Ski Club members fell while skiing about a month ago and fractured her hip in several places, many lessons were learned on what everyone needs to do to be prepared for an on-snow emergency.

Number one is to carry identification while skiing, a brief medical history and who to contact in case of emergency. Last year there was a Prime Time Ski Club column that described in great detail several ways of identifying yourself so this column will just list the products, web addresses and phone numbers. Products include Medic Alert® bracelets and neck medallions (www.medicalert.org/800-432-5378), ECOS® Emergency ID tags that can be worn on clothing or attached to your helmet (www.ecosaid.com) and Road ID® bracelets, originally developed for runners and bikers (www.roadid.com/800-345-6336).

The least expensive and low-tech way to identify yourself is to carry a handmade card that lists your name, address, phone number, an emergency contact, medical conditions, list of medications, food or medication allergies and health insurance and primary care physician contact information. Put this information card in a see-through zip-lock sandwich bag in your ski jacket pocket. If you carry a cellphone, it's a good idea to list an emergency contact in your phone's contact list under "ICE" (In Case of Emergency), an acronym that most first responders are trained to look for. If you have an iPhone, there is an app called "Health" where you can list emergency information that can be accessed even if you need a passcode to open your phone.

However, there are also other considerations when an accident happens and the skier is transported to a hospital for further diagnosis and treatment. Those who drive to Sunday River from off-mountain locations oftentimes gather in the Mahoosuc Room at South Ridge Base Lodge to "boot up" before the lifts open. It's a good idea to identify your boot bag with a luggage tag and maybe a note in your bag describing your car along with license number so it can be found in the parking lot if someone needs to drive your vehicle to the medical facility. It's also a good idea to always ski with someone, like Prime Time Ski Club members, so there is someone to help you out in case of an injury. Anyone looking for someone to ski with should meet at North Peak Lodge at 10 a.m. weekdays (upper level, right hand side past the bar). After a brief time for announcements, members usually break into small groups, based on skiing ability as well as speed and terrain preference. Or you can meet up with Prime Timers in the Mahoosuc Room at South Ridge prior to the lifts opening. Maybe the club motto should be changed from "no one ever needs to ski alone" to "no one should ever ski alone." Join us, be safe, have fun!

## Sports

### High School Nordic Skiing

Jan. 23 - The Telstar Nordic team traveled to Jackson, N.H. to participate in the Jackson 30km. Ricco Call, Gaelen Boyle-Wight, Elijah Laird, Josh Elliot, and Kellen True completed the event.

Jan. 30 - The Telstar Nordic team competed in the Sassi Memorial Race at Black Mountain. Girls' results: 60th Marta Opie 22:15, 154th Emily Hanscom 34:54. Boys' results: 63rd Kellen True 18:37, 67th Josh Elliot 18:55, 81st Gaelen Boyle-Wight 19:26, and 99th Ricco Call 20:11. The team now hopes for more snow as they prepare for the Mountain Valley Conference Championships.

### Middle School Nordic Skiing

Jan. 27 - Girls: Dylan Duclos 12th 18:30.9, Livie Doucette 15th 20:28.1, Rachel Millier 17th 21:50.3, Ava Doucette 22nd 28:10.3. Boys: Eli Shifrin 5th 13:06.5, Dylan Greenberg 12th 14:21.0, Utah Bean 22nd 16:17.2, Isaac Voisine 25th 16:49.4, Dillon Smith 33rd 19:38.4, Wyatt Theilbar 34th 20:31.2.

### Telstar Boys' Varsity Basketball

Dirigo 79, Telstar 45; Jan. 28 - Telstar scorers: Tanner Wheeler (19); Blake Rothwell (7); Aaron Vermette (2); Avry Griffin (3); Jarrett Bean (8); Jeremiah Richardson (6). Three-pointers: Bean (2); Griffin.

### Telstar Girls' Varsity Basketball

Dirigo 56, Telstar 37; Jan. 28 - Telstar scorers: Becca Howard (18); Hayley Peterson (13); Blair Stevens (4); Julie Cherkis (2). Three-pointers: Peterson.

### Mt. Valley Rec Basketball League

**LBI Bests Archies, 1st Place, MVRBL** - The top two teams in the Mountain Valley Rec Basketball League played competitive games, as LBI outlasted Archie's 82-73. Archie's (5-2), with a limited group, kept pace most of the game, but ran out of gas and answers in the end. LBI (6-1) was content to play at their opponents pace, but hit the shots when it mattered. Chris Baxter netted 23 points and 4 threes for the winners, Scot New added 12, Eric Canwell and Craig Milledge 11 each and Brandon Johnson with 10 points. Brett Archibald led Archie's with 23, Glen Dubois 19, Ben Ryerson 13, helped out. The Crew then beat Jay, 78-54. The Crew (3-4) were never threatened and were led by Cliff Turner with 23 points and 5 threes, Justin Cocroft, Erik Wilson and Deion Cheers had 17 apiece to balance the scoring. Jay (0-7) got 17 from Nick St. Germain and 16 from Brandon Demillo. With Bethel (3-3) off with a bye, the last game was a blowout as Tommy Guns was just too fast and very accurate from long range, hitting 19 threes, and running away with a 104-64 win over M and M Carpentry. Tommy Guns (4-3) had six players in double figures, Juwan Daniels 20 points, Tim Turner and Jordan Greenleaf 15, Brandon Bennett 14, Tony Daniels and Josh Thomas 12 each. M and M's Matt Newell was their team's only double-digit scorer with 26.

## Film at Black Mountain

Share your love for skiing and film with your Valentine on Feb. 14 at Black Mountain of Maine at 5:30 p.m. Chisholm Ski Club welcomes film maker Joel Osgood of Leisurely Productions, who will present his feature "1,000 Feet and Below." This extraordinary Maine made documentary explores the existing "smaller" ski areas of Maine. It presents the history of Maine skiing and the community spirit that is alive and well in these areas. Joel Osgood visits Maine's lesser known, smaller ski mountains and in between hitting the slopes, interviews the hill owners, lift opera-

tors, and skiers. This is a big-hearted project that shines a light on community, family, and healthy outdoor recreation. Black Mountain of Maine is featured in the film. A bonus film "Tow-Pony" will also be presented.

After the films, Chisholm Ski Club members will present a short informational discussion on the history of the Chisholm Ski Club.

Come share local history. The Last Run Pub will be open with pizza and popcorn available. \$5 suggested donation at the door. For more information call the office at Black Mountain of Maine 207-364-8977.

## Oxford County Democrats to caucus

The Oxford County Democrats will join the rest of the State of Maine in holding municipal caucus meetings on Sunday, March 6, to kick off the 2016 campaign season. There will be two major regional events one at the River Valley towns at Mt. Valley High School and a second for the Bethel area towns at Telstar High School, as well as many meetings set in individual towns or in smaller groupings. The Oxford County Democrats have secured convenors for nearly all municipalities with the goal of 100 percent coverage by caucus day. Convenors are currently needed for Gilead, Upton, Stoneham, Peru and Roxbury and anyone willing to help may contact info@oxforddems.org.

According to Oxford County Democratic Chair Cathy Newell of Greenwood, a complete list of caucus convenors, locations and times is available on the Maine Democratic Party website, www.mainedems.org, and on the Oxford County ME Democrats Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/OxfordCountyDems. Just prior to the caucus day, an official caucus notification will be published in local papers.

The Maine caucuses are the front lines of grassroots politics and they

are the way presidential preference is indicated by party members. Caucus attendees indicate presidential preference, select delegates to the Democratic State Convention in June, elect Municipal Officers and County Committee members, and discuss national and local policy issues affecting all Maine people.

Democratic candidates, elected officials and representatives from Democratic campaigns will attend and there will be an opportunity to sign nominating petitions and talk about important issues.

People not currently registered to vote, and who will be 18 years old by Nov. 8, 2016, or unenrolled voters who would like to enroll as Democrats may do so prior to the caucus at their town offices or at the caucus location on March 6. Anyone registered as a Republican or a Green who would like to participate in the Democratic caucus must go to their town office and change parties prior to Feb. 20. Absentee ballot request forms are available for download at www.mainedems.org and must be turned in to the Maine Democratic Party by the close of business on March 2.

For additional information contact the Oxford County Democrats at info@oxforddems.org.

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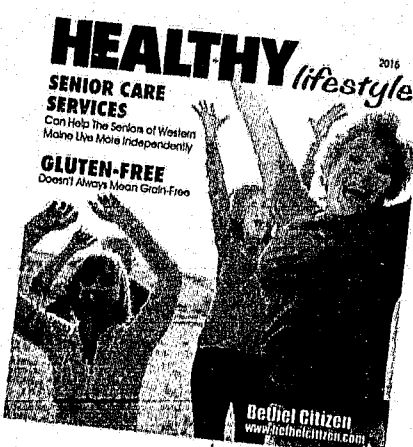
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## Age-Friendly Community news

Were you listening? Maine Calling is an interactive radio program on MPBN, Monday through Thursday at noon and anytime online. On Jan. 25, the topic was Age-Friendly Communities in Maine. Of the 29 US states that have Age-Friendly Communities, Maine, along with two other states, is second only to New York in the number of communities (six) that are part of the network. FMI go to <http://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/network-age-friendly-communities/info-2014/member-list.html>.

The Bethel community is proud not only to be one of those six communities, but also to have paved the way for consideration of a community-wide approach to this movement. In fact, Newry, Greenwood, and Woodstock are actively pursuing a formal partnership with Bethel in the Age-Friendly Community Network. We are so pleased!

When the phones were opened on Thursday's broadcast, the Bethel Area program was the first caller, with Jackie Cressy giving an articulate report on our efforts. You may listen to the program by linking to <http://news.mpbnet.net/post/building-age-friendly-communities#stream/0>.

The program hosted three guests reporting on efforts in Maine. We have much to learn from these community programs. Patricia Oh from the Bowdoinham group (<http://www.bowdoinham.com/aging-bowdoinham-committee>) will make a visit to our Bethel team soon. Linda Weare from Portland told about the ITN program ("Dignified transportation for seniors" - visit <http://www.itnportland.org>).

You may learn more about ITN - and many more transportation options - at the Age-Friendly Community public meeting on transportation: Wednesday, Feb. 24, 4 to 6 p.m. at the West Parish Congregational Church. FMI contact Nancy Davis ([nancydavis.bethel@gmail.com](mailto:nancydavis.bethel@gmail.com), 381-1110).

## Alan Day Garden seed orders start

The Alan Day Community Garden is kicking off its eighth year with an open Organic Bulk Seed Order. All seeds are high-quality and organic. They come from High Mowing Seeds, a Vermont-based company that began in 1996 as a backyard garden and today, is a thriving business that grows many of the varieties it sells on its 40-acre farm.

For most gardeners, Groundhog Day (or Candlemas) is the mid-point of winter and a fitting time to start thinking about garden plans, including starting the seedlings that take the most time to mature, such as onions, peppers, Brussels sprouts, and celery. Everyone is welcome to participate in this order, which offers a wide variety of open-pollinated, non-GMO seeds. Order forms are available at the Norway Memorial Library, Fare Share Market, Café Nomad, The Raven Collections, Green Machine Bike Shop, Paris Autobarn, Fiber & Vine, the Center for an Ecology-Based Economy (CEBE), and on the Garden's website at [alandaygarden.wordpress.com](http://alandaygarden.wordpress.com). This service allows purchasers to buy smaller quantities at a discounted price of only \$2 per pack. Orders must be placed by Feb. 11 and seeds will be available about two weeks later.

The Alan Day Community Garden serves elementary school children, offers a Youth Leadership program, offers a CSA to individuals and families, and offers garden plots to anyone who would like to garden. Created in 2009 to honor the memory of local philanthropist and artist, Alan Day, it is a 501c3 organization that accepts tax-deductible donations. It is located at 26 Whitman Street in Norway, across from the Grange. For more information, contact [AlanDayCommunityGarden@gmail.com](mailto:AlanDayCommunityGarden@gmail.com), call Executive Director Rocky Crockett at 346-070823, and/or visit the website at [alandaygarden.wordpress.com](http://alandaygarden.wordpress.com).

## Great Maine Outdoor Weekend Family Hike

Please join the Mahoosuc Land Trust and Western Mountains Senior College to celebrate another Great Maine Outdoor Weekend on Saturday, Feb. 13 from 10 a.m. to noon. Dr. Rick Churchill will lead a snowshoe trek on the Valentine property on the North Road in Bethel. Please meet at 10 a.m. at the Mahoosuc Land Trust office at 18 Mayville Road to carpool.

Dr. Rick Churchill is a horticulture consultant and founder and chair of Southern Maine Community College's horticulture program. He has served as associate editor for People, Places & Plants and is adjunct professor with The Landscape Institute. His many years of college teaching, outdoor adventure travel and consulting allow him to bring a broad range of experiences to his audiences. Join him as he shares his keen observations of the winter landscape and his ever-present sense of humor. Please bring your entire family; kids and grandkids are most welcome, and there will be a "fun grandpa" on hand to keep them happy in the snow. The morning will conclude with hot drinks and snacks.

Participants will join hundreds of Mainers participating in the Great Maine Outdoor Weekend, enjoying a wide variety of winter activities statewide. For more information about Great Maine Outdoor Weekend events, visit [www.greatmaineoutdoorweekend.org](http://www.greatmaineoutdoorweekend.org).

The Mahoosuc Land Trust is a conservation land trust serving the communities surrounding the Mahoosuc Mountains, and has the mission of protecting and conserving land and traditional land uses. Learn more at [www.mahoosuc.org](http://www.mahoosuc.org).

The mission of the Western Mountains Senior College is to support lifelong learners in their quest for new knowledge and experience. Visit their blog at <http://wmscollege.blogspot.com/>.

Delighted to collaborate in sponsoring this event, both organizations are eager to see lots of folks Feb. 13.

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Thursday, Feb. 4

**Story Time at the Bethel Library;** 10 a.m., Bethel Library, 5 Broad Street (across from the Common). Read a story, sing, and play at the library. A parent or caregiver must accompany the child. FMI call the library at 824-2520.

**Winter Fashion Show;** Hope Association, 85 Lincoln Avenue. The Glee Club entertains at 12 p.m., followed by the fashion show at 12:15. Come to the fashion show to see examples of clothing available at the What Not Shop. Fill a bag of clothing for \$5.

**To Your Health Program on AFib;** 4:30 to 6 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church, Church Street, Bethel. Dr. Daniel van Buren, Board Certified Cardiologist, will discuss, "Understanding Your Heart Rhythm: Atrial Fibrillation." Learn how AFib is detected and evaluated and the two long-term treatment options. Free admission. Light refreshments. FMI: R. Tiff (824-2053).

**Pizza and a Movie Night;** 5 to 9 p.m., Frank's Bar and Grille, Fall Line Condos, Sunday River. \$10 includes a large slice of pizza, beverage and ski movie. Proceeds benefit the Ski Museum of Maine.

**Shadagee Ramblers;** 6 to 9 p.m., Open Mic and pizza night, Loose Boots Lounge, Mt. Abram.

### Saturday, Feb. 6

**Maine State Telemark Festival;** Mt. Abram. This free festival is open to the public and offers a chance for a free lesson and Free 2 Run Demo Gear. There will be a Rec Tele Race and a chance to watch Pro Telemark Skiers Compete in a nationally sanctioned race.

**Indoor Yard Sale;** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., American Legion Post 72, Church Street, South Paris. The lunch counter will be open and 50/50 tickets will be for sale. Come join the fun and help the Ladies' Auxiliary send three young girls to Girl State.

**Jones Dance Band;** 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Adults/\$5. Old-fashioned dance music.

### Tuesday, Feb. 9

**Clean Up Your Credit Workshop;** 1 to 3 p.m., Telstar High School Room 133. This two-hour workshop aims to help you have a better understanding of credit. We will discuss basic concepts of credit, strategies for reducing debt and repairing credit, credit reports, and credit scores. This is a free class. FMI/Registration: 824-2136 ext. 1340 or <http://sad44.maineadulted.org>.

**Harness Your Internal Energy System: an Introduction to Chakras;** 3 or 6 p.m., Telstar High School. Chakra is a Sanskrit word (from India) meaning wheel, or vortex, and it refers to each of the seven energy centers in your body. Chakras help to regulate processes in our body, from organ function, the immune system to our emotional well-being. During the workshop you will learn from instructor Emily Ecker about each primary chakra and how it correlates with specific physical, mental and emotional aspects of yourself. Gentle breath and movements will be taught to clear, balance and energize the chakras. Tuition: \$10. FMI/Registration: 824-2136 ext. 1340 or <http://sad44.maineadulted.org>.

### Wednesday, Feb. 10

**Bethel Senior Citizens Luncheon/Meeting;** 11 a.m., Crosstone Restaurant, Route 26, Woodstock. Menu: Chicken or fish. Reservations must be made before Feb. 1 by calling Arlene Lowell at 824-2877 with your choice. Membership dues of \$3 are due at this time.

### Thursday, Feb. 11

**Shadagee Ramblers;** 6 to 9 p.m., Open Mic and pizza night, Loose Boots Lounge, Mt. Abram.

### Friday, Feb. 12

**Valentine Tea;** 1 to 3 p.m., Bethel United Methodist Church, 79 Main Street. Everyone welcome.

### Saturday, Feb. 13

**MLT Family Snowshoe Trek;** The Mahoosuc Land Trust and Western Mountains Senior College will be celebrating Great Maine Outdoor Weekend with a Rick Churchill led family snowshoe trek on the Valentine property on the North Road in Bethel. Hot drinks and snacks following the trek. Please meet at 10 a.m. at the Mahoosuc Land Trust office at 18 Mayville Road to carpool. For further information, please call 207-824-3806.

**Oxford Hills Honey Bee Club Meeting;** 1 p.m., Oxford County Extension Center, 9 Olson Road, South Paris. The public is welcome. FMI: Christopher ([cpeaston@megalink.net](mailto:cpeaston@megalink.net)).

**Portland Homeless Ministry Discussion and Potluck;** 6 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church, Church Street, Bethel. Rev. Jeff Logan will share his ministry on Grace Street with the homeless people of Portland. Bring a dish to share and donations for the homeless mission in Portland. Contact Jane Chandler for more information (357-3524).

**Jones Dance Band;** 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Adults/\$5. Old-fashioned dance music.

### Sunday, Feb. 14

**A Taste of Lovell;** 2 to 4 p.m., Charlotte Hobbs Memorial Library, Lovell. The Harp Lady (E.G. Roth) will entertain with a selection of popular, Broadway, and seafaring songs interspersed with classical instrumental harp selections. Proceeds benefit the library.

**"1,000 Feet and Below" Screening;** 5:30 p.m., Black Mountain of Maine. A bonus film "Tow-Pony" will also be presented. After the films, a short informational discussion on the history of the Chisholm Ski Club. \$5 suggested donation at the door. FMI: Black Mountain of Maine (207-364-8977).

### Tuesday, Feb. 16

**Safe Sitter Class;** 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Harper Conference Room, Ripley Medical Office Building, 193 Main Street, Norway. The classes are geared for students 11 years and older. Tuition: \$50 (\$15 scholarships are available) FMI/Registration: 743-1562 ext. 6951.

### Wednesday, Feb. 17

**Into the Woods MLT Speaker Series Presentation;** 7 p.m., Shelburne Town Hall, 74 Village Road, Shelburne, N.H. Garret Bonnema recently completed hiking the entire Grid, reaching the summit of each of the 48 peaks in the White Mountains that are over 4,000 feet, in each month of the year - 576 summits! He will share his experience. FMI: 824-3806.

### Thursday, Feb. 18

**Story Time at the Bethel Library;** 10 a.m., Bethel Library, 5 Broad Street (across from the Common). Read a story, sing, and play at the library. A parent or caregiver must accompany the child. FMI call the library at 824-2520.

**Pizza and a Movie Night;** 5 to 9 p.m., Frank's Bar and Grille, Fall Line Condos, Sunday River. \$10 includes a large slice of pizza, beverage and ski movie. Proceeds benefit the Ski Museum of Maine.

**Shadagee Ramblers;** 6 to 9 p.m., Open Mic and pizza night, Loose Boots Lounge, Mt. Abram.

### Saturday, Feb. 20

**Pork Roast Supper;** 5 to 6 p.m., VFW Post 9787, 58 Lower Main Street, South Paris. Adults/\$8, kids (under 12) \$4.

**Jones Dance Band;** 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Adults/\$5. Old-fashioned dance music.

### Sunday, Feb. 21

**Hope Association's 41st Annual Ride-In;** 12:30 to 2 p.m., Horizon's Unlimited, 319 Swain Road, Rumford. Buffet lunch and raffle drawing with great prizes including \$200 cash. Proceeds benefit the Hope Association.

### Monday, Feb. 22

**National School Choice Week Event;** 10 to 11:30 a.m. and/or 6 to 7:30 p.m., The Eddy School, Newry. The Eddy is one of more than 12,000 schools participating in National School Choice Week, the goal of which is to shine a positive spotlight on all types of education options for children. FMI: <http://TheEddySchool.com> or [school-choiceweek.com](http://school-choiceweek.com).

**Regular SAD 44 School Board Meeting;** 6:30 p.m., Crescent Park Elementary School.

**Special SAD 44 District Budget Meeting;** 6:30 p.m., Crescent Park Elementary School to authorize the purchase of 36.9 acre land parcel abutting Telstar for \$76,000.

### Wednesday, Feb. 24

**Woodworking Course;** 6 to 9 p.m., Telstar High School, Room 220. Whether you are a beginner and want to learn more about woodworking or if you are an expert woodworker this class is for you. Instructor: Tim O'Connor. Tuition: \$65 for six weeks. FMI: 824-2136 ext. 1340 or <http://sad44.maineadulted.org>.

### Thursday, Feb. 25

**CPR Recertification;** 6 to 9 p.m., Bethel Family Health Center. This class will include adult, child and infant CPR and obstructed airway. You must bring your current certificate. 2 year certificate. Limit 6 students. Instructor: Jeannine Thornton. Tuition: \$45. FMI: 824-2136 ext. 1340 or <http://sad44.maineadulted.org>.

**Pizza and a Movie Night;** 5 to 9 p.m., Frank's Bar and Grille, Fall Line Condos, Sunday River. \$10 includes a large slice of pizza, beverage and ski movie. Proceeds benefit the Ski Museum of Maine.

**Shadagee Ramblers;** 6 to 9 p.m., Open Mic and pizza night, Loose Boots Lounge, Mt. Abram.

**Book Talk/Signing;** 7 p.m., Norway Universalist Church. Elizabeth DeWolfe, award winning author, history professor and chair of the Liberal Studies program at the University of New England, will present a slide show and discussion on The Murder of Mary Bean and Other Stories. This event is free and open to the public.

### Saturday, Feb. 27

**Chicken Pie Supper;** 4:30 to 6 p.m., VFW Post 9787, 58 Lower Main Street, South Paris. Adults/\$8, kids (under 12) \$4. Sponsored by AM-VETS Post 777.

**Jones Dance Band;** 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Adults/\$5. Old-fashioned dance music.

### Tuesday, March 1

**Drivers' Education;** Classes start March 1 and will be held in room 133 at Telstar High School. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 2:30 to 5:30. If you would like to sign up or have any questions, call Western Maine Driving Academy at 743-8351.

### Thursday, March 3

**Pizza and a Movie Night;** 5 to 9 p.m., Frank's Bar and Grille, Fall Line Condos, Sunday River. \$10 includes a large slice of pizza, beverage and ski movie. Proceeds benefit the Ski Museum of Maine.

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# Regular meetings and support services

## MUNICIPAL

**Bethel Selectmen:** Second Monday of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

**Bethel Planning Board:** Second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, 6 p.m., Town Office.

**Bethel Water District:** Third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

**Gilead Selectmen:** Second Wednesdays of the month, 6 p.m., Town Office

**Gilead Planning Board:** First Thursdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

**Greenwood Selectmen:** First and third Tuesdays of the month, 5 p.m., Town Office.

**Hanover Selectmen:** Third Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m. unless otherwise posted.

**Hanover Planning Board:** First Wednesday, 6 p.m.

**Newry Selectmen:** First and third Tuesdays of the month, 5 p.m., Town Office.

**Newry Planning Board:** First and third Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

**Woodstock Selectmen:** First and third Tuesdays, 5 p.m., Town Office.

**Woodstock Planning Board:** First and third Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Town Office

**SAD 44 School Board:** Second and/or fourth Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m., Telstar High School (occasionally meet at other schools; call 824-2185 for info or go to [http://www.sad44.org/pages/MSAD\\_44\\_Bethel/School\\_Board](http://www.sad44.org/pages/MSAD_44_Bethel/School_Board)).

## ORGANIZATIONS

### Andover

**Mondays and Tuesdays, 4:30 p.m.:** Andover Fitness Club, Andover Elementary School gym.

### Bethel

**First Sunday of month, 7 p.m.:** Bethel Snow Twisters at 208 Walkers Mills Rd.

**Third Sunday of each month, 9 a.m.:** Breakfast open to the public at no charge at Bethel Church of the Nazarene.

### Wednesdays

**Yoga Classes with Yogamoto.** Classes are held at 4:15 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. (no class Nov. 25) at the United Methodist Church Annex at 75 Main Street. Yogamoto is a donation-based nonprofit yoga practice. You pay what you can - suggested donation is \$5-\$15. Classes are one hour vinyasa flow and suitable to all skill levels. Proceeds are donated to local education. Private classes also available. FMI: [www.yogamoto.com](http://www.yogamoto.com) (207)200-3815 [info@yogamoto.com](mailto:info@yogamoto.com)

**Last Wednesday of the month, 4:30 to 6 p.m.:** Community Supper at Bethel Alliance Church. No charge. FMI: 207-824-2289.

### Thursdays

**Thursdays, 10 to 11 a.m.:** Story Time for Children at Bethel Library (story plus craft) with participating mothers. October thru April. FMI: call 824-2520.

**Second Thursday of the month, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.;** fourth Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cross Country Quilters of Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Maine meet at the Alliance Church on Route 26 in Bethel. All quilters welcome. FMI: e-mail Pat McCartney at [p\\_quilts@yahoo.com](mailto:p_quilts@yahoo.com) or call 836-3575.

**Third Thursday, Maine Mineral & Gem Museum** holds Third Thursdays Tours & Talks. Winter months' feature presentations held in the Museum Store and Preview Gallery from 3-4:30 p.m. Summer months' feature tours at renowned regional geological sites. Summer times vary depending on tour location; check MMGM's website [www.mainemuseum.org](http://www.mainemuseum.org) and its newsletter calendar.

### Saturdays

**Yoga Classes with Yogamoto.** Classes are held at 8am and 9:30am at the United Methodist Church Annex at 75 Main Street. Yogamoto is a donation-based nonprofit yoga

practice. You pay what you can - suggested donation is \$5-\$15. Classes are one hour vinyasa flow and suitable to all skill levels. Proceeds are donated to local education. Private classes also available. FMI: [www.yogamoto.com](http://www.yogamoto.com) (207)200-3815 [info@yogamoto.com](mailto:info@yogamoto.com)

### Woodstock

**Second Saturday of month, 6 p.m.:** Woodstock Historical Society meeting at the museum.

### West Paris

**Tuesdays 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.:** West Paris Baptist Church group to foster wellness for anyone searching for faith based support. The group is intended for those facing the challenges of grief, loss, addiction, codependency, and abuse issues. Light refreshments will be provided.

### Norway

**Third Wednesday of the month:** Women's Imaging Center, Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, offering professional prosthetic and bra fittings for women on For appointment call 743-5993 Ext. 6851.

**Second Thursday of the month, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.:** at the Harper Conference Center, Ripley Medical Office Building, 193 Main Street, Norway. Staying on Your Feet, a free one-time course for adults aged 60 and over. Course includes balance screening, blood pressure check, leg-strength measurement, and education on staying fit.

**Fridays 9:15 a.m.:** Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge, Norway. For more information, call Les Buzzell at 783-4153 or 754-9153; or e-mail: [buzzell16@myfairpoint.net](mailto:buzzell16@myfairpoint.net).

### Hebron

**Sundays 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.:** Seasonal Public Skating, Robinson Arena, Hebron. Adults, \$3/Children 12 and under, \$2/WinterKids Passport holders, free. FMI: 966-2100.

## SUPPORT SERVICES

### SAFE Voices

**24-hour hotline:** 1-800-559-2927. Safe Voices serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806.

### AA meetings/help

**Bethel Freedom Group:** Open Discussion Meeting (seasonal, Thanksgiving through April 1) Saturdays at 4:30 in the Snow Cap Inn conference room, next to the fitness room, at Sunday River Resort.

**At United Methodist Church (Main Street, Bethel):** Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6 p.m. 12 Step/Traditions Meeting, Tuesdays at 6 p.m. Candlelight Discussion Meeting Fridays at 6 p.m.

### Cancer Support

**Northern Vista at Home Senior Care** offers a free shuttle service to those going to re-occurring chemo or radiation appointments at St. Mary's or Central Maine Medical Center in Lewiston. To schedule a ride call Gerry McCann, director at 207-836-2173.

**Every Thursday, 1:30 to 3 p.m.:** Rumford Hospital, Room 357. (877) 336-7287. Support and Education for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Call to confirm in stormy weather.

### Exchanges/Pantries

**Clothing Exchange:** Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4, Thursday 4 to 6, Saturday, 10 to 12. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours. No exceptions. 824-4090. Clothing may also be dropped off at Northeast Bank on Main Street.

**Bethel Food Pantry:** serves residents of Albany, Andover, Bethel, East Bethel, West Bethel, Bryant Pond, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Locke's Mills, Mason Township, Newry, Upton, and Woodstock. The Food Pantry is open on the second Monday of each month from noon until 8 p.m. Anyone who needs food should come during those hours, without appointment. The Food Pantry is located in the basement of the Nazarene Church, 16 Church Street in Bethel by the side entrance on Park Street. (Donations should be left on porch at 57 Elm Street. Questions, contact Dave Bean at [beand@gouldacademy.org](mailto:beand@gouldacademy.org) or 207-824-0369.)

### Help for the Homeless

**Rumford Group Homes, Inc.:** operates three homeless shelters, a Maternity Group Home program for homeless pregnant and parenting youth ages 18-21 and Case Management services. Emergency shelter services include the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and their children and the Rumford Family Center for homeless families. To make a referral or to request assistance, please call 743-6363 in the Norway area or 369-9439 in the Rumford area Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information about Rumford Group Homes, Inc., call 364-3551 or visit [www.rumfordgrouphomes.org](http://www.rumfordgrouphomes.org).

### Lyme Disease

**First Wednesday of the month, 6:30-8 p.m.:** Lyme Disease Support & Education Group at Beacon House Peer Center, 3 Canal St. Rumford. FMI: 357-1926 or 824-3076. **Third Wednesday, 6:30-8 p.m. - Lyme Disease Support & Education Group** at Telstar High School Library, FMI: 357-1926 or 824-3076.

### Mental illness

**Beacon House Social Club:** 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Wednesday 3 to 8 p.m.; Friday 2 to 7 p.m.; Saturday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

### Veterans' Services

**Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris:** Veterans' Advocate visits first and third Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Rumford 9 to 12 noon second Thursday at VA Clinic at 431 Franklin St. (369-3272). Maine Veterans' Services is located at 29 Westminster St., Lewiston (783-5306). (No visits in July)

### Multiple services

**Community Concepts:** provides Oxford County Head Start, childcare, free rides to Maine Care appointments, subsidized apartments (Bethel, Brownfield, Fryeburg, Norway, Rumford, South Paris), affordable home-ownership opportunities, homeless shelter and assistance with home heating or weatherizing. FMI: call (800) 866-5588 or visit [www.community-concepts.org](http://www.community-concepts.org).

**Alzheimer's Support Group:** meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Rumford Community Home located at 11 John F. Kennedy Lane. All are welcome. For more information call Sue Ellen Richardson, Social Service Director or Terry Drury, Residential Director at 364-7863.

### Brain injury support

**Brain Injury Support Group:** for individuals with brain injuries and their families. West Side NeuroRehab, 618 Main St., Lewiston. First Monday of the month, 6 to 8 p.m. FMI: Deb Hammer 795-6110.

## LIBRARY HOURS

**Andover Library:** Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday 1 to 4:30 pm; Thursday 1 to 4:30 & 6 to 8 p.m. Tel: 392-4841.

**Bethel Library:** Monday 9 to 1; Tuesday 1-5; Wednesday 1 to 8; Thursday & Friday 1 to 5 Saturday, 9 to 1. Story Hour Thursdays, 9 to 10 a.m., October to May. Tel: 824-2520.

**Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond:** Tel: 665-2505. Tuesday and Thursday, 1 to 5 p.m.

**West Paris Library, West Paris:** Monday 1:30 to 6; Wednesday 1:30 to 7; Friday 1:30 to 6; Saturday 10 to 2. Patty Makley, Librarian. Tel: 674-2004

**Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover:** Wednesday, 9 to 3; Thursday, 5 to 8; Saturday, 9 to noon.

### Calendar items

Calendar items may be brought to the Citizen office, e-mailed to [news@bethelcitizen.com](mailto:news@bethelcitizen.com) or faxed 824-2426. Deadline is Monday at 4 p.m.

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# Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

## WORD FUN

Study the two words on each line to find the ONE letter in the left column that is NOT in the word in the right column. Write the extra letter on the blank space. Then read DOWN to answer this riddle:

WHAT DO FARM WORKERS GET ON VALENTINE'S DAY?

HACKER	___	CREAK	ASKING	___	GAINS
COPIER	___	PRICE	SALAMI	___	LAMAS
FRIDGE	___	FIRE	TIMERS	___	MERIT
SUNSET	___	TUNES	SPACED	___	CAPED
MARGIE	___	GRIME	CORNEA	___	ACORN
PRANCE	___	CAPER	SALINE	___	ALIEN
BARKED	___	BREAK			

For more puzzle fun, go to [www.brainzzles.com](http://www.brainzzles.com)

## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:  
1. Poster is missing. 2. Earlap is smaller. 3. Puddle is smaller.  
4. Hair is different. 5. Heart bag is missing. 6. Handle different.

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## CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: G equals T

GLF WFEOW OEZFFYFRG'P

PYOWW JZURG TOP PD GURQ, U

PUYJWQ ADBWHR'G ZFOH UG

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## SCRAMBLERS

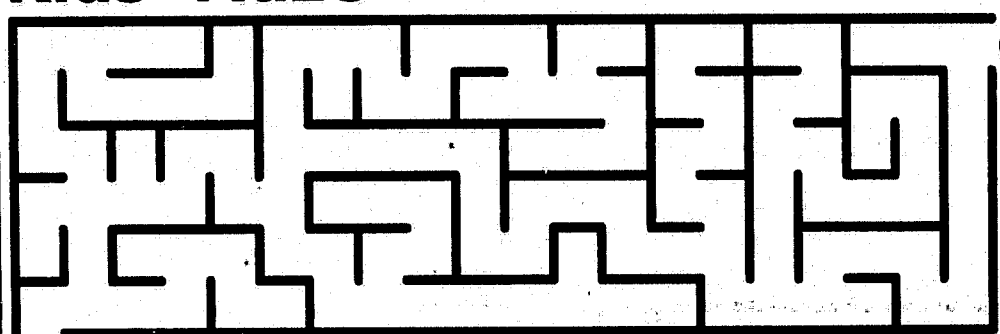
Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

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## Kids' Maze

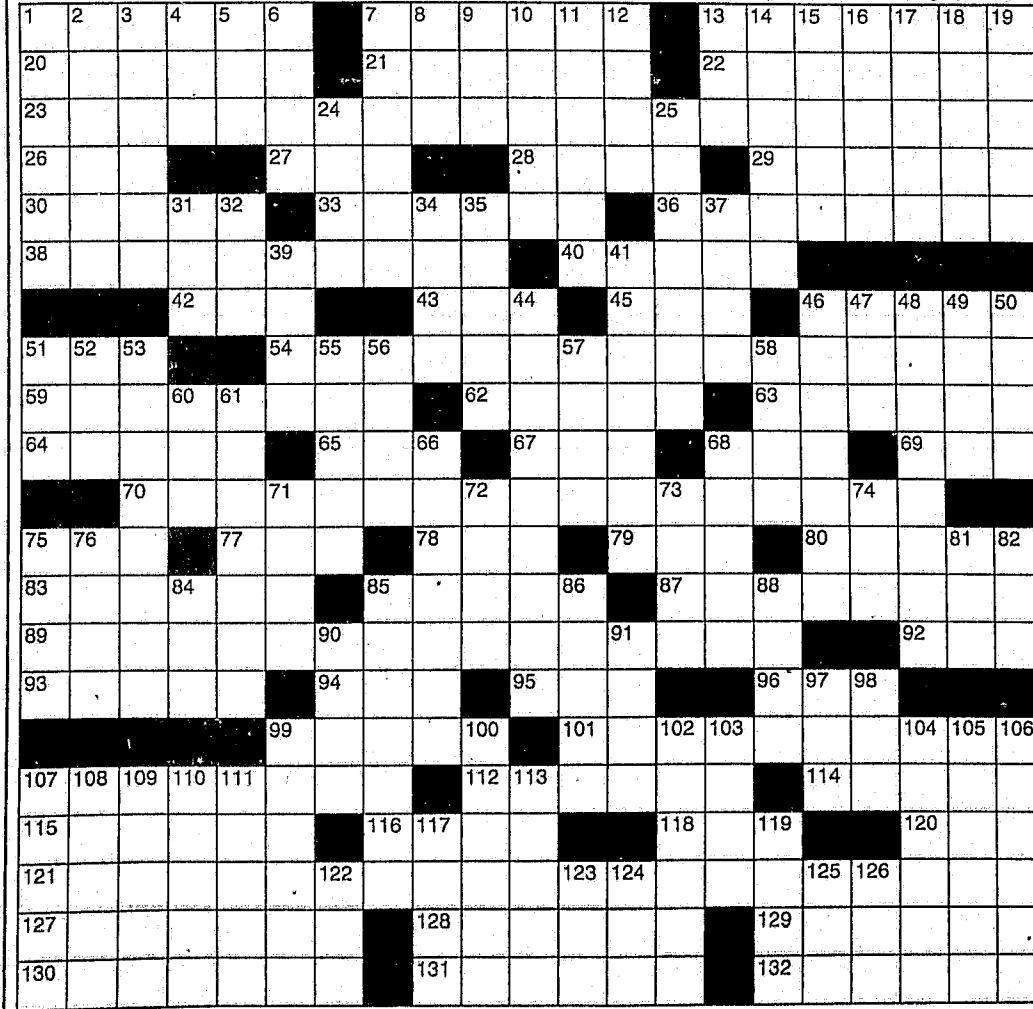


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## Super Crossword

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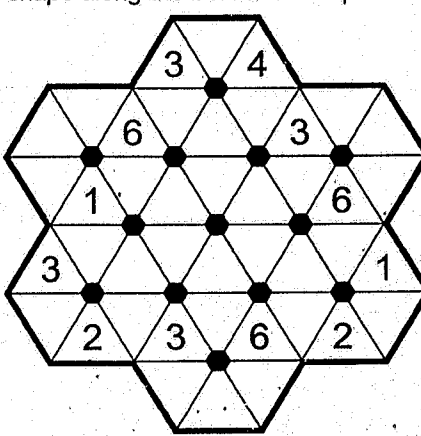
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- 1 "\_\_\_, peel me a grape" (Mae West line)
  - 7 "\_\_\_ Adventures in Wonderland"
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  - 20 Pacific weather phenomenon
  - 21 Sullen
  - 22 Neighbor of Ukraine
  - 23 Eccentric, corrupt rascals?
  - 26 Part of A/C
  - 27 "World Cafe" broadcaster
  - 28 "Mama" of pop music
  - 29 Spiritualists' event
  - 30 Seize illegally
  - 33 Coarse
  - 36 African mongooses
  - 38 One dealing in red meat for a living?
  - 40 Selling points
  - 42 June hrs.
  - 43 Bit of intimate apparel
  - 45 Suffix with prop-
  - 46 Number of Stoggles
  - 51 Audio system part
  - 54 Lovable male turkeys?
  - 59 Jews living outside Israel
  - 62 Conveys
  - 63 Alternative to Red Roof
  - 64 En \_\_\_ (as a whole)
  - 65 Bit of formal apparel
  - 67 Zee lead-in
  - 68 AT&T rival, once
  - 69 Hi-speed connection
  - 70 Actor Depp being mushy?
  - 75 Hit in a ring
  - 77 "Really? — who?!"
  - 78 King, in Toulon
  - 79 Barfly, say
  - 80 Charles for whom a chair is named
  - 83 One of golf's majors
  - 85 Request in blackjack
  - 87 More tempes-tuous
  - 89 Stroke from the tee made while wearing a tee?
  - 92 Strike marks, in bowling
  - 93 Little squirts
  - 94 Trains to Wrigley Field
  - 95 Scand. land
  - 96 Mini-devil
  - 99 Perón of Argentina
  - 101 Press chinos and corduroys?
  - 107 Classical pieces
  - 112 Inborn
  - 114 Bea Arthur title role
  - 115 Believer in God
  - 116 Onetime teen idol
  - 118 Onetime flight inits.
  - 120 They cross aces.
  - 121 Use glue to mend pants?
  - 127 Immunity trigger
  - 128 Swooning fan, e.g.
  - 129 Laud
  - 130 Mosaic piece
  - 131 Throws
  - 132 Sacred places
  - 44 Twice or thrice
  - 46 Gym hiree
  - 47 "Let me see ..."
  - 48 Having pre-blended ingredients
  - 49 Finales
  - 50 Series finale?: Abbr.
  - 51 Nav. rank
  - 52 Hamm on a soccer field
  - 53 Deposits are recorded in it
  - 55 David of the Red Sox
  - 56 Really injured
  - 57 "Book of Days" singer
  - 58 Brow shape
  - 60 Cleveland-to-Raleigh dir.
  - 61 Multipiece office gifts
  - 66 Most weird
  - 68 Maxim
  - 71 Certain till fill
  - 72 Tube addict's punishment
  - 73 Kid around
  - 74 '60s war site
  - 75 Barely
  - 76 Pasty-faced
  - 81 Wide shoe width
  - 82 Yearbook div.
  - 84 Kin of ante-
  - 85 Spiral
  - 86 Moses or Meese
  - 88 Of ears
  - 90 — Strauss
  - 91 Immunizing fluids
  - 97 May VIP
  - 98 Sch. group
  - 99 Sitcom actress Rolle
  - 100 Alternative to judo
  - 102 River critters
  - 103 Current events
  - 104 Like the Kazakh language
  - 105 Most weird
  - 106 Tetley rival
  - 107 Hitler's turn to hit
  - 108 French river
  - 109 Fair shelters
  - 110 Call-length skirts
  - 111 Gas bill info
  - 113 Small iPods
  - 117 No-clutter
  - 119 Tablet extras
  - 122 "Leaving — Jet Plane"
  - 123 Surg. centers
  - 124 Born, to Fifi
  - 125 "... cup — cone?"
  - 126 Eighty-six



## SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦♦

♦ Easy ♦♦ Medium ♦♦♦♦ Difficult

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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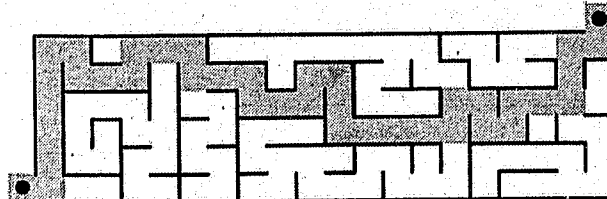
Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging

★★★ HOO BOY!

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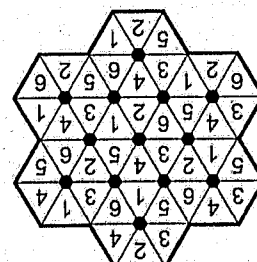
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## MLT "Into the Woods" Speaker Series: Hiking the Grid

Forty-eight peaks in the White Mountains reach an elevation of 4,000 feet or more. Many hikers have climbed all 48. A considerably more ambitious goal is to hike them in each month of the year. Doing the math, that's 576 ascents, in deep-freeze to black-fly conditions. Garret Bonnema of Bethel is one of the few who have achieved this goal, known as Hiking the Grid. On Wednesday evening, Feb. 17, Garret will share his Grid adventures at the Shelburne Town Hall, beginning at 7 p.m.

This event is co-sponsored by the Mahoosuc Land Trust, as part of its "Into the Woods" speaker series, and the Shelburne Trails Club. The Shelburne Town Hall is located at 74 Village Road, approximately 16 miles from Bethel. Village Road parallels Route 2 on the north, and can be accessed directly from Route 2 or from Meadow Road, which is a lit intersection.

Light refreshments and a time for conversation will follow Garret's presentation.

The Mahoosuc Land Trust is an accredited community land trust encouraging public interest in conservation in central Oxford County and eastern Coos County, N.H., supporting a balance of growth and conservation and emphasizing sustainable and traditional land uses. For more information, visit [www.mahoosuc.org](http://www.mahoosuc.org) or call 207-824-8806.

## Waterford Library offers blind dates in February

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For more information regarding Blind Date with a Book, please call the library at 588-2050, see our website or find us on Facebook. Library hours are Monday 2 to 6, Wednesday 3 to 8, and Friday and Saturday 10 to 2.

## MCF grants available for Oxford County nonprofits

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In 2015, the committee awarded nearly \$34,000 in grants to six nonprofits. They included: \$5,000 to Oxford Hills Community Gardens, Norway, to support the Alan Day Community Garden and Town Assistance Work-for-Food Program; Mahoosuc Pathways, Bethel, to support the Oxford County Conservation Corps, which brings together environmental assets with leadership and workforce development; \$8,000 to The Progress Center, Norway, to support a pilot home-based nutrition intervention program for recently discharged hospital patients identified as high risk for malnutrition.

With offices in Ellsworth and Portland, the Maine Community Foundation works with donors and other partners to improve the quality of life for all Maine people. To learn more about the foundation, visit [www.mainecef.org](http://www.mainecef.org).

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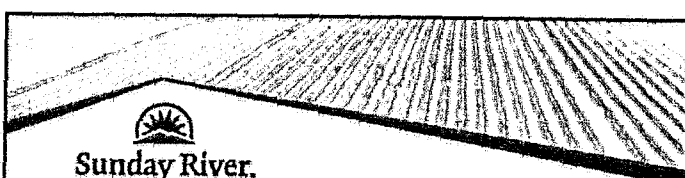
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# Obituaries

## MARVIN V. COLLINS

Marvin V. Collins, 71, of York passed away Jan. 27, 2016 after a long battle with heart and kidney disease.

He was born Jan. 29, 1944 in Boston, Mass., the son of the late Marvin V. and Frances Collins. Marvin shared 46 years of marriage with his wife Laurie. He was the father of Allison Collins and companion Robert Stewart of Bozeman, Mont., and Adam Collins and wife Julia Reynolds Collins of Park City, Utah. He was the brother of Don Collins and wife Beverly of Saugus, Mass., Joe Collins and partner Bob Houser of Sutton, Mass., and the late Barbara Grizey. Marvin also leaves many loving nieces and nephews.

He was a four year Navy Veteran having served with the Marine Corp in Vietnam as a Hospital Corpsman. Marvin graduated with a BS degree from Boston State College with further graduate studies at Cleveland State University and Harvard Business School. Marvin worked for numerous Fortune Fifty Companies, was Vice President of Operations for Sunday River Ski Resort, and worked as an Operational Specialist for Prinoth.

Marvin was a Big Brother/Big Sister Mentor, a former President of the Sugarloaf Ski Club, served on the Board of Directors of Maine Handicap Skiing, and a former active member of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce. He was a former member of the Bethel/Newry Volunteer Fire Dept. and later served as the Treasurer and member of the York Fire Dept. Marvin was a Certified Fitness/Aerobics Instructor and Personal Trainer. He was an accomplished Ice Hockey player and coach and a proficient skier as well as a competitive Masters racer.

A Celebration of Life was held on Monday, Feb. 1 at the First Parish Church, York. Burial with Military Honors will be held at a later date. The family would like to thank the medical staff at Brigham and Women's and Portsmouth Regional Hospitals.

Memorial contributions can be made to either the York Fire Dept., 1 Firehouse Drive, York, Maine 03909 or to the Heart & Vascular Center Innovation Fund, in memory of Marvin V. Collins, checks payable to BWH Development Office, 116 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass. 02116. Visit [www.lucaseatonfuneralhome.com](http://www.lucaseatonfuneralhome.com).



TEKLA P. LAFRANCE

Tekla P. LaFrance, age 90 of South Paris, passed away peacefully on Monday, Jan. 18, 2016 at the Norway Center for Health and Rehabilitation.

Tekla was born in South Paris on March 20, 1925, a daughter of Charles and Alma (Ruuska) Whitman. She attended South Paris schools and graduated from Paris High School in 1942.

She was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church in South Paris.

For 46 years, Tekla worked as a bookkeeper at Wheeler Insurance in South Paris and retired from there in 1988.

She is predeceased by her husband, Francis W. LaFrance who died on Jan. 2, 1994; three sisters, Annie Thompson, Ida Whitman, and Lempi Thompson; and a brother, Oliva Whitman.

She is survived by her daughter, Carol Merrill and her husband, Steve of Norway; two sisters, Veno Glines of South Paris and Martha Edgar and her husband, Gordon of Windham, N.H.; three granddaughters, Terri O'Connor and her husband, Tim of Bethel, Shelley Baker and her husband, David of West Paris, and Chrissy Wilcox and her husband, Chad of Orono; and three great grandsons, T.J. O'Connor, Jarrett Baker, and Rowen Wilcox.

A memorial service was held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 30, 2016 at the Trinity Lutheran Church in South Paris.

Interment will be in the spring at the Riverside Annex.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Tekla's memory to the Trinity Lutheran Church, 34 Buckfield Road, South Paris, ME 04281.

Arrangements are in the care of Chandler Funeral Homes and Cremation Service, 45 Main Street, South Paris. Condolences can be expressed to the family by visiting [www.chandlerfunerals.com](http://www.chandlerfunerals.com).



CAROL CUMMINGS NESIUS

Carol Cummings Nesius passed away Jan. 25, 2016. She was born Oct. 15, 1935 in Hanover.

Carol was the daughter of Chester and Marjorie (Farwell) Cummings, a younger sister of Barbara Ellingwood and Ann Carlson, beloved wife of Philip A. Nesius, Jr. and mother of Karen Nesius Roeger and William Nesius.

She graduated from New England Baptist Hospital School of Nursing in 1956 as a Registered Nurse. What began as a cross-country trip from New England to California, detoured in Chicago, Ill. when friends introduced her to Phil. She drove a new Fiat, and he loved imported cars, and they then discovered how much more in common they had. Carol and Phil were married Oct. 15, 1960 at Rumford Point Congregational Church in Rumford Point.

For 36 years they made their home in Chicago, Ill. where they raised their family. During those years she was very involved with Girl Scouts, the Hitch PTA, Elston Avenue United Methodist Church (and later Forest Glen United Church of Christ). Carol returned to nursing in 1977 at Northwest Hospital (later Our Lady of the Resurrection).

When retirement presented itself in 1995, she and Phil began to seriously look for a new home for themselves in the Rocky Mountains. They found their place in Montrose, Colo. In August of 1996, Carol remained active in her love of nursing by volunteering for nearly 20 years at Montrose Memorial Hospital. She involved with herself at various times with the Ute Museum, the Museum of the Intermountain West and the Montrose County Historical Museum as a volunteer, the local archaeology club and the Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park. She was a member of Hillcrest United Church of Christ. Carol and Phil engaged their love of travel by many trips into the San Juan Mountains and the canyons of Utah. They celebrated their 40th anniversary with a trip to Alaska and their 50th with a trip to New England and the Smoky Mountains.

Carol is survived by her sisters, her children Karen (Michael Roeger), Bill (Sutaya Nesius) and grandson Pete Roeger, and nieces and nephews. A celebration of her life will be held at a later time.

## FRANCES R. NOYES

Frances Irene Ryerson Noyes, 78, of West Paris passed away Saturday, Jan. 30 with her family and friends by her side.

She was born June 24, 1937 in West Paris the daughter of Donald A. Ryerson and Ora Gibbs Ryerson. She attended school in West Paris and worked for Penley Mills up until her retirement. Frances married W. Mason Noyes on June 15, 1956.

Frances is survived by her loving husband of 59 years; two sons, Larry Noyes of West Paris and Barry D. Noyes and his partner Ronald Porter of Dexter; a brother Herbert Ryerson of Greenwood; a sister Genneth Berryment of Bryant Pond; a sister-in-law Eleanor Ryerson of West Paris; five grandchildren, Joshua Tanner, Gregory Noyes, Shelby Noyes, Jacob Noyes, and Krystin Noyes; and three great grandchildren. She was predeceased by her parents; a brother Robert Heath; and a granddaughter Ashleigh Noyes. Online condolences may be shared with her family at [www.chandlerfunerals.com](http://www.chandlerfunerals.com).

Frances had asked for no services. In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent to the Breast Cancer Foundation. Arrangements are under the care of Chandler Funeral Homes & Cremation Service, 45 Main Street, South Paris.



JUNE M. YORK

June Marie York, aged 76, passed away on Jan. 27, 2016 in Parker, Ariz., peacefully with family by her side. June was born on Jan. 6, 1940 in Bridgton, daughter of Albert Henley and Glenis (Gray) Brooks, step-father Francis Brooks and step-mother Faye Hinkley.

She grew up in Bethel and attended schools there. She worked in the wood mills for over 25 years before becoming disabled. Her family was her greatest joy. She was proud of them and loved them all so very much. She loved to travel and for the last 30 years had traveled

to Arizona for the winters. She loved to read and enjoyed books about the history of the old west and Oregon trail with the covered wagons. She enjoyed playing Bingo and going to flea markets. She loved her dog Shadow.

June is survived by her loving husband, Robert York, of 30 years; sons, Frank Heath, John Heath and wife Bridget; daughters, Mona Hart and partner Chip Cross, Terri Smith and husband Doug, Laurie Hart and partner Owen Chamberlain; ex-sister in law Beverly Presby (like a daughter); sisters, Margaret Roberts, Hilda Holmes and husband Bruce, Rene Dudley, Cathy Smith and husband Bill, Alberta Dantier, Marie Bellanceau, Joanne Henley; brothers, Arthur Henley and wife Cori, Melvin Henley, Alan Henley and partner Sonya; grandchildren Lisa, Andrew, Jessica, Matthew, Roma, Jason, Jacob, Luke, Dustin and Tristen; four great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews and many more good friends.

She was predeceased by her father, Albert Wesley Henley, mother Glenis Evelyn Gray, step-father Francis Brooks, step-mother Faye Hinkley and brother Bruce Henley.

Services are to be held in the spring and announced at a later date.

## KELLY THIBODEAU

Kelly was born in Rumford on Aug. 31, 1961 to the late Lee and Virginia (Smith) Hutchins, the same day her late sister Jill was born six years earlier. Kelly passed away peacefully on Jan. 25, 2016 at Gosnell Memorial Hospice House in Scarborough due to Myelodysplastic Syndrome as a result of chemotherapy treatment she received for breast cancer two years earlier.

Kelly and her family made their home in Bethel where she attended the local schools. Growing up in that beautiful, rural town was a happy life for her. She and her friends would play outside all day, every day making up new games as they went along. When the days ended, they would gather in the Hutchins' kitchen for "Ginny's" ever present homemade pies, cakes, cookies and more. She learned much about nature from her dad while walking in the woods or trekking to one of the many special fishing holes. Winters were spent skiing, snow shoeing and skating. As a student, Kelly excelled academically and in athletics. She especially loved field hockey where she played the grueling position of sweeper.

She was also a member of the field and track team, and despite her small size, she often medaled in shot put and high jump.

Kelly attended Husson College in Bangor, living with her brother Mark, his late wife Pamela (Dou-

glass) Hutchins and their daughters earning her Medical Assistant degree. She settled in the Portland area where she was employed by Allergists Marguerite Pennoyer, MD and the late Doris Pennoyer, MD, for 27 years until her death.

On Oct. 23, 1993, she married her soul mate, Michael Thibodeau. They welcomed their precious son Landon into their lives Aug. 13, 2001.

Kelly very much enjoyed gardening - starting seedlings in her greenhouse. Her vegetable and flower gardens were the envy of the neighborhood. In all seasons, Kelly enjoyed spending time at the pond near their home with Mike, Landon, and their neighborhood friends, swimming, boating and skating.

She is predeceased by her brother-in-law Gilbert "Biff" John Lea; and her father-in-law Fernand Thibodeau. She is survived by her husband, Michael; her son Landon; her brother Michael Hutchins and wife Janis, her brother Mark Hutchins; her mother-in-law Edwina Thibodeau; brothers and sisters-in-law David and Bobbie Morrow, Clud and Gill Cyr, Linda Chalou, Ted and Marlene Johnston, Nola Thibodeau; and many nieces, nephews and their children.

A Memorial service will be held for Kelly at Funeral Alternatives, 25 Tampa Street, Lewiston on Saturday, Feb. 6 at 10 a.m. All are welcome to gather at 9 a.m. for visitation prior to the service. Services are under the direction of Funeral Alternatives 25 Tampa Street, Lewiston.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Ovarian, Melanoma, and Breast Cancers and Lymphoma/Leukemia foundations - See more at: <http://obituaries.pressherald.com/obituaries/mainetoday-pressherald/obituary.aspx?n=kelly-thibodeau&pid=177482690&fhid=7657#sthash.A6WgsQaB.dpuf>.

## PHYLLIS H. ROBERTS

Phyllis Hunt Roberts, born Sept. 2, 1920 in Gorham, N.H., passed away peacefully Jan. 12, 2016 at Edgecomb Green Assisted Living in Edgecomb.

Daughter of Maude and Frank Hunt, she lived in Bethel on Spring Street and graduated from Gould Academy in 1938. She lived in Swarthmore, Pa. from 1958 to the late 1970s when she returned to Maine. She was a lifetime member of the Bethel Historical Society.

She is survived by sons Baruch Aaron of Georgia and Israel Douglas of Alabama and a daughter, Cynthia of Wiscasset as well as six grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Interment will be in the spring in Bethel.

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| <b>MONDAYS:</b>                 | <b>FRIDAYS:</b>            |
| • Zumba Gold 11am               | • Spin 6:15am              |
| • Kids Dance, Debi Irons 4:15pm | • Zumba Gold 11am          |
| • Spin Class 5:15pm             | <b>SATURDAYS:</b>          |
| • Adult Dance 6:15pm            | • Spin 8:15am              |
| <b>TUESDAYS</b>                 | • Pilates 9:15am           |
| • Body Fit 6:15am & 8:15 am     | • Cardio Kickboxing 3:30pm |
| • FitKidz (ages 5-7) 3pm        | <b>SUNDAYS:</b>            |
| <b>WEDNESDAYS:</b>              | • Gentle Yoga 4pm          |
| • Spin Class 6:15am             |                            |
| • Cardio Kickboxing 6pm         |                            |
| <b>THURSDAYS:</b>               |                            |
| • Body Fit 6:15am               |                            |
| • Spin/Body 8:30am              |                            |
| • FitKidz (ages 8-12) 3pm       |                            |
| • Zumba 4:15pm                  |                            |

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